

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

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To:

Connecticut EMS Care providers

Connecticut EMS Organizations

From:

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EMS Section Chief

Re:

EMS Patches

Please see the attached information sheet.

In 2010 Connecticut renamed its certified EMS Care providers in keeping with the national unified levels of care provider names.

Recently there have been questions about the proper color and identification(s) of the care provider level patches. The official colors have **not changed**. Please see the attached information sheet regarding <u>officially approved</u> EMS Care identifier patches and rockers.

Thank you.



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State Approved Emergency Medical Service Patches

Purpose: In Emergency Medical Services the identification and credentials of persons providing care should be displayed in a uniform manner through the identification of a state approved patch. With the change in title of various positions in Emergency Medical Services it is paramount that a statewide patch for each level of service be identified. This will be accomplished through the use of State approved patches uniform in color stating the level of care an individual is permitted to provide. This helps with displaying qualifications on an emergency scene and allows any incident commander or patient to know the level of care being provided.

The State of Connecticut approved patch shall be as follows.

- 1. The color of the State of Connecticut EMS patch shall remain the same however it should state certified or licensed depending on the skill level of the individual.
- 2. The EMR rocker shall remain purple with yellow lettering
- 3. The EMT rocker shall remain the same light blue with dark blue lettering
- 4. The AEMT rocker shall be green with yellow lettering
- 5. The Paramedic patch shall remain dark blue with yellow lettering
- 6. The EMSI patch shall remain yellow with black writing. This rocker may be worn in conjunction with another skill certification such as Paramedic or AEMT or EMT.
- 7. Subdued patches are for Tactical and Special Operations uniforms not normal duty uniforms.



This directive is intended to clear up questions regarding patches and limit the use of other patches, which may cause for confusion among care providers. Any question may be referred to the Office of Emergency Medical Services.