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TO: All EMS Providers FROM: Mike McEvoy RE: Signal 41

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I would like to remind everyone of the operational procedures for use of "Signal 41." This program was created in 2005 under the County EMS Mutual Aid Plan to share ALS resources between Jessups, Wilton, Moreau, General Schuyler and surrounding agencies. Activation of the Signal 41 tone by Communications sets off designated ALS pagers in all four of those agencies.

The concept of Signal 41 is to provide either paramedic assistance or an additional provider to a scene for airway management. As such, it is important to specify **what** you are requesting <u>and</u> your **destination hospital** so that appropriate providers can respond. Specifically, when making a request for a Signal 41, indicate:

- 1. What assistance is needed:
 - a. Paramedic Assistance OR
 - b. Airway Management and what type of provider(s) needed:
 - Credentialed provider
 - Trained provider
 - •Full team

2. Destination hospital

Supplying the destination hospital allows providers being paged to determine the feasibility of intercepting based on their location and your intended travel plans.

Signal 41 is **not** a request for a specific agency. If you request a specific agency, it will be activated as a signal for that agency only (i.e., Signal 20, Signal 71, Signal 58 or Signal 57).

For the purposes of standardization, I ask that you keep within the parameters of this program when making requests. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

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