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TO: All State Certified Emergency Medical Service Providers

FROM: Todd McDowell, NRP, Office of EMS Manager

SUBJECT: Extension for all Certifications Expiring May 31, 2020

The Office of EMS is exercising its authority by modifying certification extensions dates under the waiver of 7 AAC 26.100(a)(7) granted in the COVID-19 Disaster Order of Suspension issued March 31,2020 by Governor Mike Dunleavy. This waiver allows for the extension of certification expiration dates beyond 60 days.

This memo supersedes guidance issued 03.16.2020 titled 60 Day Extension for All Certifications Expiring March 31, 2020. All providers that were given a 60 day extension and currently have a certification expiration of May 31, 2020 will now have their certifications extended through March 31, 2021. As the current situation evolves we will continue work with providers and agencies to assure adequate accommodations for recertification. Further guidance is anticipated to be issued regarding specific requirements and will be issued as developments occur.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions at todd.mcdowell@alaska.gov or (907) 465-8634.