

Dear EMS Instructors;

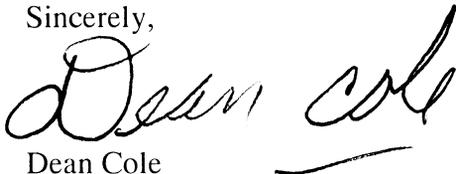
The Nebraska Emergency Medical Services Program; along with all other State agencies, was asked by the Governor to cut spending to help cover the budget shortages the State is now experiencing. The EMS Program has done a thorough evaluation of all its programs and has determined that to continue to provide the best opportunity for free continuing education to our EMS providers we will need to reduce the amount paid to instructors for continuing education classes.

Starting with the January 2011 continuing education calendar, the amount paid per instructional hour will be thirty (\$30) dollars and seventy five (\$75) dollars per instructor for skills classes. Mileage will continue to be contingent upon the federal government mileage rates. These new pay rates will not affect the amount paid to conferences as their amount has already been reduced previously.

It is never pleasant to have to give or receive this sort of news but in light of the budget shortfalls it was necessary for the Program to take a decisive step to keep within our budget while continuing to provide free continuing education.

The Nebraska EMS Program is recognized for the quality of instruction given by our continuing education instructors. We feel confident that those of you who are providing the instruction will continue to offer the best training to those emergency medical providers who depend on your knowledge and expertise for their training.

Sincerely,



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