



Memorandum

Date: February 15, 2017

To: All Kentucky Licensed EMS Organizations and ePCR Industry Partners

From: Michael Poynter, Executive Director

Re: Valid Facility ID Numbers Required on all NEMSIS Incident Reports to KSTARS

On December 8, 2016, the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services (KBEMS) voted unanimously in favor of the Data Committee's request to require valid Facility ID codes (eDisposition.02) on certain NEMSIS Incident Reports with immediate effect. To implement this change we are taking several steps that include the development and dissemination of state validation rules as well as a listing of Facility ID codes. Enforcement of these new validation rules will occur through a software process called Schematron as part of the NEMSIS data standard.

- 1) Initially the Schematron will allow records with invalid Facility ID codes and throw Warning messages to bring attention to records needing correction.
- 2) Beginning on May 1, 2017, we will adjust the Schematron to throw Error messages on records with invalid Facility ID codes causing a rejection.

Our office will reject incident reports without a valid Facility ID code as of May 1, 2017.

Licensed EMS organizations as well as the development community are encouraged to work together with our office as necessary to improve the quality of ePCR data in Kentucky. We will publish at the link below a Kentucky Facility ID list along with any available instructions for adding and editing facilities made available by the software industry partners. Please note that services using ImageTrend Elite need not take any action.

<http://kbems.kctcs.edu/KSTARS.aspx>

Please submit any questions regarding Facility ID code requirements to the KBEMS Support portal by clicking the blue hexagon on our website, kyems.com. First time users of the Support Portal must register for an account to create tickets.

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