



Memorandum

Date: August 17, 2015
To: All ePCR Industry Partners
From: Drew Chandler, Data Administrator
Re: Last acceptance date for NEMSIS V2.2.1 data

The National Emergency Medical Service Information System (NEMSIS) Technical Advisory Center (TAC) first released the Version 3 standard on July 21, 2011. Since then a number of stakeholders have expended a tremendous amount of resources in order to adopt this standard in Kentucky.

Chapter 7, Article 540 of Kentucky Administrative Regulation Title 202 was adopted by the Kentucky General Assembly with an effective date of August 21, 2013. Our data regulation requires that licensed EMS organizations submit their run information in the most recent version of NEMSIS.

In June 2014, our office published an implementation timeline to aid licensed EMS organizations by setting goals to transition their data submission from various levels to the Version 3 standard. This timeline had July 1, 2015 as the date for enforcement of the data regulation with some exceptions listed. We are pleased to announce a number of services have successfully adopted the new standard but a number have not due to limitations of their ePCR systems.

There is duplication and therefore waste associated with maintaining both Version 2 and 3 systems in parallel longer than absolutely necessary. As more EMS organizations continue moving to Version 3 we have set our sights to focus efforts forward. Server hardware and hosting costs, software licensing, support contracts, and staff time all factor into our decision to decommission our Version 2 system effective December 31, 2015 and no longer accept submissions of V2.2.1 as of January 1, 2016.

We encourage your organization to prioritize transition of Kentucky clients to your Version 3 product so they remain in compliance with our data regulation into 2016. If your organization will not have a Version 3 product ready, we recommend notification to Kentucky clients so they have adequate time to pursue other ePCR software which will facilitate compliance with the data regulation.

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