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TO: ALL LUCAS COUNTY PARAMEDICS

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SUBJECT: **Continuing Education – April 2015**

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During the month of April we will review ***Respiratory Emergencies*** with an emphasis on ***Capnography***. By tracking the carbon dioxide in a patient's exhaled breath, capnography enables the paramedic to objectively evaluate a patient's ventilatory status (and indirectly circulatory and metabolic status) to better utilize clinical judgment to assess and treat patients. Classes will be presented using a mixture of case-based and hands-on scenarios.

In preparation for April classes, please take time to review the following protocols:

- **Tab 500: Medical Procedures / Equipment**
  - Section F: Capnography
  - Section H: CPAP
  - Section U: Nebulized Aerosols
  
- **Tab 900: Medical Emergency Protocols**
  - Section B: Airway, Adult
  - Section U: Respiratory Distress

I look forward to seeing you in the coming month. If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact me.

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