



## **EMS Information Bulletin- #037**

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**SUBJECT:** Epinephrine Auto-Injector Approval Update

**TO:** Ambulance and Quick Response Services

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The Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Department of Health, is providing the following update on the approval process for the carrying and use of the epinephrine auto injector pens by basic life support (BLS) ambulance and quick response services (QRS):

1. The BLS ambulance service or QRS must complete all of the requirements specified in Epinephrine Auto Injector Training Module (Course# 004124) and must adhere to the BLS Statewide Protocol #411-Allergic Reaction/Anaphylaxis.
2. Once the training has been completed, the medical director will verify that the service has completed all of the requirements to carry and use the epinephrine auto-injectors. A roster of the individuals who were trained and the planned start-up date for use of the injectors must also be provided and submitted to the Bureau of EMS through the regional EMS council.
3. EMTs that were trained and approved by the service medical director will be permitted to use the epinephrine auto injectors when functioning with an ambulance service or QRS in accordance with the Statewide BLS protocols or medical command orders.
4. The regional EMS council will inspect the services and all required documentation as part of the regular ambulance licensure process or QRS recognition and, as needed, the spot inspection process.
5. The Bureau of EMS will include all relevant paperwork as part of the services record maintained by the Bureau. A database will be developed on all approved services.

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