Geriatric Education For Emergency Medical Services (GEMS)

Basic and Advanced Provider Course

Wednesdays, September 12, 19, 26 October 3, 2012 (6pm - 10pm)

The American Geriatrics Society (AGS) and the National Council of State EMS Training Coordinators (NCSEMSTC) have developed the Geriatric Education for Emergency Medical Services (GEMS) Program, a national continuing education curriculum. This program was designed specifically for First Responders, EMTs, Paramedics, and any other emergency care provider.

What does GEMS Cover?

GEMS represents the most credible and complete source of prehospital medical information on older adults. It addresses all of the special needs of the older population, including the geriatric objectives as identified in the EMT-Basic, Intermediate and Paramedic National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) National Standard Curricula. It also meets and exceeds the New York State CME-based Recertification requirements of a minimum of three (3) hours of continuing education in Geriatrics.

GEMS Students will learn through:

- **Case-Based Lectures** in which providers think about how the would treat a similar case. The lectures cover Aging; Communicating with Older People and Their Caregivers; Assessment of the Older Patient; End-of-Life Care Issues; Trauma, Musculoskeletal Disorders and Falls; Neurological Emergencies and Altered Mental Status; Respiratory and Cardiovascular Emergencies; and other lectures relevant to the older population.

- **Live Action Video** containing real-life footage from the field. These video clips illustrate skills covered in the GEMS Course including Communication and Assessment, Immobilization and Intravenous Therapy.

- **Hands-on Skill Stations** where providers may practice what they learn by reading the textbooks, listening to the lectures and watching the live action video.

- **Small Group Scenarios** in which providers apply information from all aspects of the GEMS Course. The scenarios cover topics such as Communication Challenges, Do Not Resuscitate Orders, Stroke, Medication Interactions, Elder Abuse and Neglect, and Delirium vs. Dementia.

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When Registering please include the following information:
Name, Address, E-Mail, Phone

COST: The cost for the course is $200.00
(Payable by Municipal purchase order, money order or check to NS-LIJHS CEMS)
This covers the cost for the provider course, administrative fees, and student manual. We will accept a $60.00 deposit, with the balance due on the first day of class.
Credit cards accepted: Visa, Master Card, American Express, Discover
Any questions please call: 516-719-5065

IF you would like to hold a GEMS course at your Agency please contact Ray Smith by Email at rsmith2@nshs.edu or call (516)351-4571.