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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Public Health, County Health Officers, Hospital Administrators, Hospitals CNOs, ALS, BLS and AED providers, Air Providers

**From:** Jeffrey Kepple MD  
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**Date:** November 17, 2020

**Subject:** COVID Testing

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Due to the current pandemic, some counties are requesting additional assistance with obtaining different styles of COVID-19 testing from EMR, EMT, AEMT and Paramedics. We have Local Optional Scope of Practice (Dated June 25, 2020) allowing Nasopharyngeal Swab (NP swab), we will extend this to other forms of testing, including anterior nasal swab for the BinaxNOW; as directed by our partners in Public Health and local hospitals.

Training and testing will be placed on the website as soon as possible.

Thank you for continuing doing all you can to protect others and yourselves.

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