

To: CCEMS Employees

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RE: DOA Instructions

Cleveland County EMS now has a Protocol Part A and B for DOA's. We also have a DOA form that will be placed in the clipboards with the protocol.

This information will have to be obtained and documented on these forms. The form will become part of the PCR as an attachment. The receiving signature on the blue forms is no longer required for the DOA. A signature is not required on the DOA from the investigating police officer, just write in the officer's name.

Priority for transport of the deceased is the funeral home, the rescue squad, and then the EMS. Facilities receiving the deceased are the funeral home, the morgue at Cleveland Regional, or Kings Mountain Hospital. If an autopsy is required, the deceased may still be transported to the morgue at Cleveland Regional or Kings Mountain Hospital and the coroner will decide on mode of transport for out of county.

Open the attachments and please review the protocol. If you have any questions contact your Captain, Lieutenant or Louis Jenkins.