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Dear NAAMTA Alliance Members

"Current health concerns over COVID-19 have created unusual challenges in accessing training experiences aimed at teaching and maintaining skills proficiencies. Many organizations utilize cadaver labs for teaching psychomotor skills, such as advanced airway management, cricothyrotomy, chest thoracotomy, needle thoracentesis, etc.

Clinical research consistently demonstrates higher skill proficiency when performed on live patients or cadavers. NAAMTA Global standards reflect such evidence-based practices in learning emerging clinical skills as well as maintaining life-saving competencies.

In keeping with the service-based core values of NAAMTA, we encourage our Alliance members to contact us regarding any challenges you may be encountering with providing clinical skills training during the COVID-19 health crisis. We welcome the opportunity to discuss alternate training options that support your clinical skills competency goals while demonstrating compliance with NAAMTA Global standards.

Further information regarding COVID-19 Infection Control Consideration in the Transport Setting is discussed in the EMS Medical Forum."

Best Regards,

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