EMT IM Epinephrine Administration
The Connecticut Public Health Department has approved a proposal to allow EMTs to administer epinephrine via syringe for the treatment of severe allergic reactions/anaphylaxis. Services who utilize this option will no longer be required to stock epi-pens. Services must have the approval of their sponsor hospital and undergo state approved training before they can begin this practice. As the sponsor of the proposal, UConn John Dempsey medical control will approve this program for all of our sponsored services who request it. Training must be done either by a medical director, clinical coordinator or EMSI. Non-JDH sponsored services should contact their sponsor hospital to discuss the program.

Hartford Opioid Reporting Project to Expand to NorthCentral EMS Region
Per Public Act 18-166 (section 5) the Office of Emergency Medical Services will be requiring EMS providers in the NorthCentral Region to report all suspected opioid overdoses to the Connecticut Poison Control Center (CPCC) at 1-800-222-1222. This includes any call where the patient is suspected of opioid use causing decreased responsiveness, respiratory depression or death, whether or not naloxone was administered.

The project piloted in Hartford by the American Medical Response Hartford Division has proven successful in surveilling the opioid epidemic in the Hartford area, gathering valuable demographic and usage information and providing early warning alerts of bad batches. The call only takes 2-3 minutes to provide the necessary information.

An OEMS Communication Statement will be sent to all EMS organizations in the state outlining the program and implementation (which includes staggered rollout dates by region). It is expected that the NorthCentral Region will be required to begin reporting by April 1, 2019. Educational materials and pocket cards with instructions will be distributed. A CME will be available on CTTrain at https://www.train.org.

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The CPCC is protected by waiver under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), enabling health professionals to confidentially share patient information.
STEMI Honor Roll
West Hartford Fire Department paramedics Patrick Green and Kristin Fillian, American Medical Response paramedic Angel Rodriguez and EMT Chris Sneed. 48 Minute Door-to-Balloon. 64 Minute Diagnostic EMS ECG-to-Balloon.
Bristol EMS paramedic Kevin Boi and EMT Taylor Gonzales. 46 Minute Door-to-Balloon, 74 Minute First Medical Contact to Balloon.
American Medical Response paramedic Thomas Mazurski and EMT Chantal Grenier. 84 Minute Door-to-Balloon. 115 Minutes First-Medical Contact to Balloon (consent delay).
Canton EMS paramedic John Bunnell and EMT Greg Hayes. 70 Minute Door-to-Balloon. 81 Minutes Post ROSC EMS ECG-to-Balloon.
Canton EMS paramedic Mary Kate McAllister and EMT Alyssa Lockwood. Patient required CABG.

Stroke Honor Role
Bristol EMS Kevin Boi & Melissa Patrick, Thrombectomy.
West Hartford Fire Department paramedics Kristin Fillian and Scott Padua along with American Medical Response paramedic John Anderson and EMT Vilomar Contreras: 32 Minutes TPA, Thrombectomy.
AMR paramedic Wojciech Sigut and his partner Quentin Babbit: Thrombectomy.
Bristol EMS paramedic Michael Cassello and his partner Robert Klepps, 55 Minutes TPA, Thrombectomy.
American Medical Response paramedics Corey Rymer and Benjamin Kegler and EMT Jennifer Northrop, Thrombectomy.

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Richard Kamin, M.D.

Traumatic Spinal Injuries
Monica Cativo, M.D.

Opioid Reporting Project Expansion
Peter Canning

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