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Dear Vital Signs 2011 Participant,

Thank you for attending the Vital Signs 2011 conference. We hope you found the conference both educational and enjoyable. Accompanying this letter is your certificate awarding you continuing education credits for your conference participation.

These credits are awarded as a joint effort between the *Center for Healthcare Education, Inc.* and the *New York State Department of Health Bureau of Emergency Medical Services*. After attending the conference you completed a Post-Test, found on the *Center for Healthcare Education website* at; <http://healthcareeducation.org/site/conf2011>. The credits awarded to you are based on verification of attendance and your Post-Test results. Credits may be applied towards the requirements of your *NYS DOH Continuing Medical Education Based Recertification (CME) Program*.

“Non-Core” Additional Hours: All conference participation time may be applied as “Non-Core” Additional Hours. To receive and document these “non-core” credits, you must keep on file (at your EMS Agency):

1. A copy of your Center for Healthcare Education list of certificates, **and**
2. A copy of the Vital Signs 2011 brochure (found on the Vital Signs web site at; <http://vitalsignsconference.com/2011>) describing each conference session.

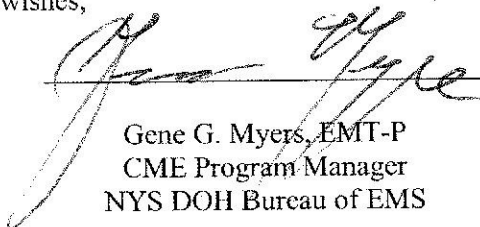
“Core” Refresher Training: Only preconference and conference time specifically indicated may be applied as “Core” Refresher Training. Sessions approved as such, with the available credits, are listed on the Vital Signs web site at; http://vitalsignsconference.com/2011_BEMS_CME.pdf. To receive and document these “core” credits you must keep on file (at your EMS Agency):


1. A copy of your Center for Healthcare Education list of certificates, **and**
2. A copy of the Vital Signs 2011 brochure (found on-line at; <http://vitalsignsconference.com/2011>) describing each conference session, **and**
3. A copy of this letter as verification from the Certified Instructor Coordinator (CIC) overseeing the conference.
4. ****When applying to renew your EMT certification through the CME Program, if you use “core” credits from Vital Signs, a copy of BOTH your Center for Healthcare Education list of certificates AND a copy of this letter MUST be attached to your application.****

The CME time awarded you is based on the scheduled session time. If a session ran short, or you did not attend the entire session, you are only allowed to claim the actual time in attendance. You are responsible for determining and documenting this time.

Thank you again for participating in Vital Signs 2011. Should you have any questions regarding your CME Program credits, please call the NYS DOH Bureau of EMS CME Program at (518) 402 – 0996 ext. 1,4.

Best wishes,


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