

EMS System Coordinators,

New review panels evaluated six months of test performance data for EMT-Basic and Paramedic examinations in December. These panels recommended that multiple answers be scored as correct on a few questions on each test. Scoring adjustments led to changes in the pass/fail status of 3% of the 2,245 attempts on these tests since April 1, 2014. CTS will notify candidates whose pass/fail status changed as a result of these scoring adjustments. IDPH office of EMS will also refund fees paid by candidates who made additional attempts on these tests after the date on which their adjusted passing score was originally taken.

We will apply these scoring adjustments to all EMT-Basic and Paramedic scores until new test forms are in place. PSI has suspended release of scores on the day of testing to prevent release of incorrect scores until these scoring adjustments are no longer required. CTS will inform EMT-Basic and Paramedic candidates of test results within 15 working days.

I will be sending a list of candidates whose status changed from fail to pass to the appropriate EMS system coordinator on Monday.

Thank you for your patience as we make these adjustments.

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