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TO: All EMS Providers and Firefighters in Suffolk County
All Ambulance Services and Fire Departments in Suffolk County

FROM: Jason Winslow, MD *JW*
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DATE: July 7, 2020

RE: EMD Pandemic Protocol 36 – Lowered to “Surveillance”

Effective Tuesday, July 7, 2020, in consultation with Public Health Officials and as part of the continued evaluation of COVID-19 response and mitigation strategies, the Emergency Medical Dispatch Pandemic Protocol 36 has been lowered to “surveillance (S)” mode. Public Safety Answering Points within Suffolk County will continue to utilize EMD Protocol 36, and beginning today, lower priority (alpha) calls will resume dispatch to the local emergency medical services (EMS) agency having jurisdiction for response. However, as per the New York State Department of Health, Bureau of EMS (NYS DOH-BEMS), the “EMS Viral Pandemic Triage Protocol” (NYS DOH-BEMS Policy 20-06) remains in effect statewide until further notice.

Questions regarding any of the above changes or the ongoing pandemic response may be directed to the Suffolk County EMS Division at 631-852-5080. Thank you.



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