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**MEMORANDUM**

To: ALS Provider Agencies  
AEMTs with Optional Scope

From: Dr. Eric M. Rudnick, Medical Director

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Date: June 23, 2010

Subject: Clarification of Optional Scope

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This letter will serve to clarify optional scope questions that have arisen in recent days.

First, the utilization of laryngoscopy is *not allowed* under the current statues. This includes direct visualization to confirm placement of a perilaryngeal device (combi tube or King Airway).

Secondly, the use of laryngoscopy with McGill forceps for foreign body removal unfortunately is *no longer allowed*.

Thank you for your understanding in this transition period. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact this office.

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