

An Introduction to
The ODEMSA Preception Manual

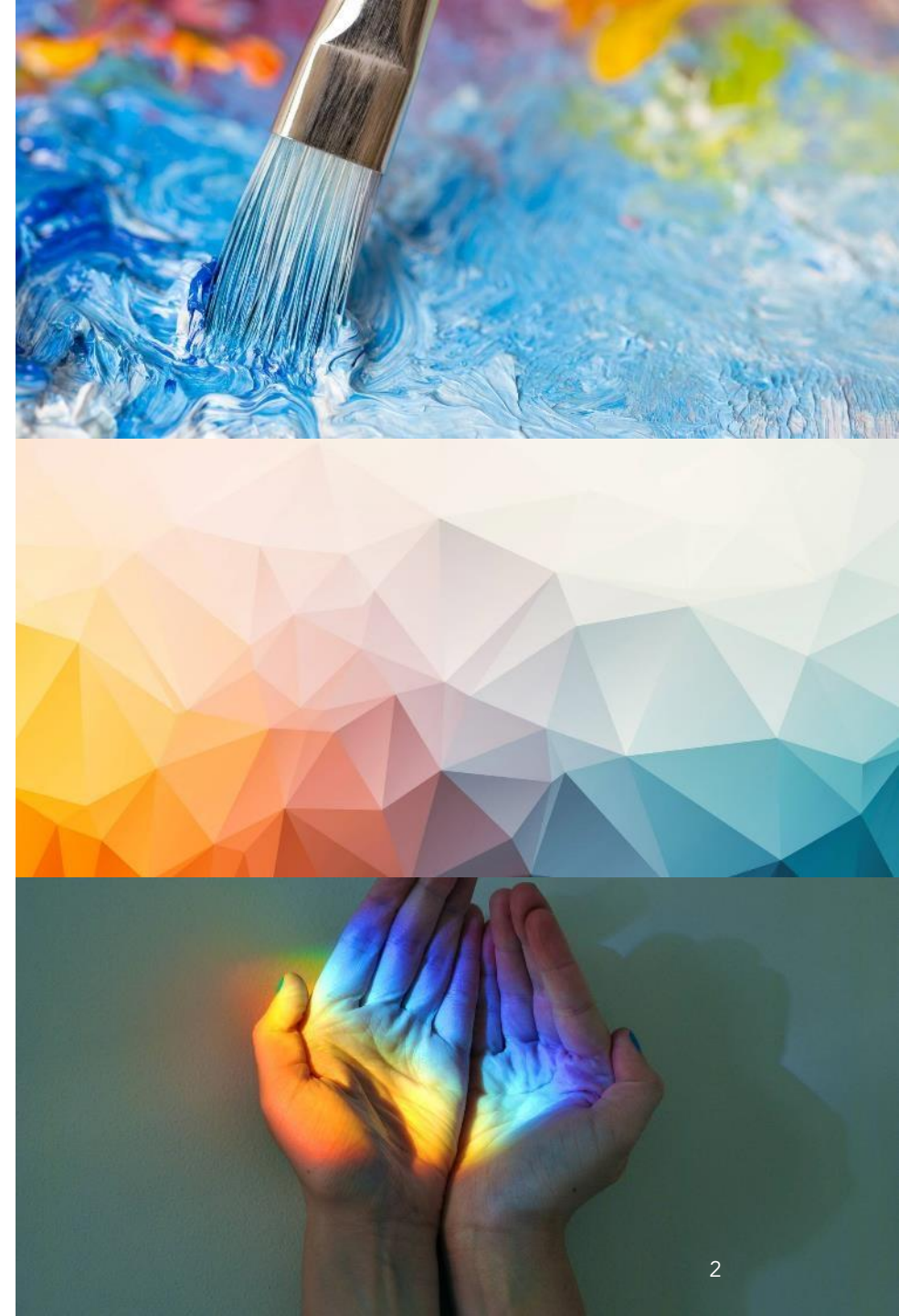
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OLD DOMINION EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ALLIANCE

Introduction: Why?

- **Objective** – To develop and publish a baseline regional Preception Manual to assist new Emergency Medical Service (EMS) providers to transition to a new organization and/or becoming a new field provider in the Old Dominion EMS Alliance (ODEMSA) region



We here at ODEMSA would like to welcome you the Region and to your new EMS organization/agency. At ODEMSA we would like to let you know that we are available to support your continued career in this region of Virginia. If you have any questions or feel the need to contact any of the ODEMSA staff please feel free to contact us, using the contact information at the bottom of the pages of this document.

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What's under the covers?

3 Major Sections

1. Introductory / Preparatory
2. Protocol Review – BLS/ALS
3. Regional Skills / Policies



Introductory / Preparatory Section

Chapter 1 - Highlights

- Regional Policies
- Regional Procedures
- ODEMSA website
- Protocol Acquisition
 - Apps for Apple/Android
 - Printable Documents
- State Laws:
 - Air Medical
 - Staffing of EMS Units
 - Required Equipment
 - Hospital Diversion
 - MCI Plan
 - Drug Box Policies

Protocol Chapters - Topics

Adult

- General Medical
 - Trauma
 - Cardiac
- Environmental
- Toxicological
 - OB-GYN

Pediatric

- General Medical
 - Trauma
 - Cardiac
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Chapters – Match Protocol Topics

- There are BLS Chapters
 - Designed for BLS Scope of Practice
 - Example:
 - OB-GYN - BLS
- There are ALS Chapters
 - Designed for ALS Scope of Practice
 - Example:
 - OB-GYN - ALS

Each Protocol has its Own Section

- Each Section contains 3 Major Elements
 - A brief introduction about the complaint the protocol is designed to address/treat. A brief bit of info to help treat.
 - The Outline/Check off sheet for the major steps in the protocol.
 - A Competency Sign Off Sheet/Form.

Sample – Protocol – OB-GYN-BLS Childbirth/Labor/Delivery

OVERVIEW:

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Labor is defined as progressive dilation of the uterine cervix in association with repetitive uterine contractions resulting in complete dilation (10 cm) and effacement (thinning) of the cervical lining.

Vertex, or head-first presentation, is the ideal presentation for all deliveries. Crowning is observed as the second stage of labor begins.

- This is a sample introduction page for the Childbirth/Labor/Delivery BLS Protocol.
- Each protocol has a brief Overview section that gives some quick, useful information about the complaint that is being treated in the protocol.

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Childbirth/Labor/Delivery

- a. Disability
 - i. Assessment
 - ii. Correction
- b. Exposure
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 - ii. Correction
2. Demonstrates the following skills.
 - a. Proper Physical Exam
 - i. Head to toe format
 - ii. All major body parts/systems
 - iii. Vital Signs / Documentation
 - b. Frequently assess for Crowning/Vaginal Bleeding/Shock
 - i. If shock develops follow the appropriate Shock Protocol
 - c. If Delivery is imminent
 - i. Stop Ambulance if Applicable.
 - ii. Call for manpower if Applicable.
 - iii. PPE
 - iv. OB Kit
 1. Layout contents in orderly fashion.
 2. ID all needed components.

- These are designed to be easy to read.
- Top-down methodology.
- Can be used as a Check Off for each line in the margins.

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Competency – ODEMSA – Regional Protocols – OB/GYN –
Childbirth/Labor/Delivery – BLS

Student's Name and Signature – date below:

_____ Date _____
Printed Name Signature

FTO's Name and Signature – date below:

_____ Date _____
Printed Name Signature

- This is to be completed when the Trainee/Student is deemed competent in the respective Protocol in being able to demonstrate the needed KSAs in the following domains
 - Didactic/Knowledge
 - Psychomotor
 - Affective

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Summary

- You have learned what the Preception Manual is.
- You have some inside information as to the contents of the Preception Manual.
- You have seen an example protocol.
- You have learned the value of this process.
- You have learned you are generating your competency portfolio.





The way to get
started is to quit
talking and begin
doing.

Walt Disney



Thank you

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