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# Memorandum

To: Arkansas Licensed Ambulance Services  
Other Interested Parties

From: David Taylor, Section Chief  
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Re: Arkansas EMS 2007 Survey Result: Past & Present Paramedics

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The Section of Emergency Medical Services is pleased to announce the publication of the ***Arkansas EMS 2007 Survey: Past & Present Paramedics***. The survey was produced by the Arkansas Department of Health, Office of Rural Health & Primary Care, Arkansas Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Training Committee, Arkansas EMS Advisory Council, Section of EMS and Trauma Systems and the Center for Health Statistics via funding provided by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources Services Administration, Office of Rural Health Policy, Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility Grant Program, Grant # 5H54RH00035-07-00.

The objectives of survey were to:

- Verify that issues identified in the EMS Career Survey and Needs Assessment Survey published in 2004 and 2006 are consistent regardless of certification level.
- Address issues specific to the retention and recruitment of paramedics.
- Develop long-range goals based on feedback.
- Provide useful information for inclusion in the State EMS Strategic Plan.

You may view the survey at <http://www.healthyarkansas.com/ems/> or you can obtain a copy by contacting the Section at 501-661-2262. Thank you in advance for your participation and dedication to emergency medical services.