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## WVOEMS Protocol 4102 Selective Spinal Immobilization

In compliance with Legislative Rule 64 CSR48 9.1.b.2 WVOEMS Protocol 4102-Selective Spinal Immobilization is hereby submitted for a thirty-day public comment period from August 21, 2017 through September 19, 2017.

This protocol was changed to include more explanation and adjustments for the use of spine boards. MPCC has approved this protocol.

All comments must be submitted by 11:59 PM September 19, 2017 to:

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Please indicate WVOEMS Protocol 4102 in the subject line.

9.1.b.2. Whenever any changes in protocol, medication and procedure, scope of practice or policy and procedure as authorized in § 9.1.b.1 are proposed, a notice of the proposal will be electronically mailed to each EMS Agency and the full text of proposed changes in protocol, medication and procedure, scope of practice or policy and procedure, will be published on the OEMS website. Notice of the proposed changes in protocol, medication and procedure, scope of practice or policy and procedure as authorized in § 9.1.b.1, is subject to a thirty (30) day public comment period prior to their being effective. However, the MPCC may waive the public comment period when it finds that exigent circumstances exist and that the proposed changes in protocol, medication and procedure, scope of practice or policy and procedure must be implemented immediately to ensure patient safety.