

Date: March 16, 2018

To: All Medical First Responders/Agencies

From: EHS Medical First Response Program

Re: Vehicle Flagging Tape

Hi everyone,

During mainly the winter months, both the Emergency Management Office (EMO) and EHS Medical Communications Centre see an increase in 911 calls from drive-by callers regarding abandoned roadside vehicles. Not only is this a safety concern for the travelling public, but we also receive multiple calls for the same vehicle which can tie up resources and potentially put employees at risk during hazardous driving conditions.

The goal of the EHS vehicle flagging initiative is to improve safety measures by reducing unnecessary responses for first responders in hazardous driving conditions; reducing risk to both first responders and the general public.

The new vehicle flagging initiative sees EHS personnel mark vehicles in blue, reflective EHS tape when it is safe to do so. This blue tape is an indicator that a first responder has already been on scene and the general public does not need to call 911.

We have also worked with EMO on a social media video to share information on this new program with the general public. This video has been released via the EHS Operations social media platforms and we encourage employees, stakeholders and the general public to help share this important safety message.

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kvAMkaLKQgl

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/EHSNS/

Twitter: https://twitter.com/EHS NS

Thank you,

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