



**Date:** Jan 23, 2019

**To:** All Medical First Responders/Agencies/NS Fire Departments

**From:** Greg Down, Provincial MFR & Logistics Coordinator (EHS)

**Re:** EHS Vehicle Flagging Initiative Expansion

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Good day everyone,

The EHS Medical First Response (MFR) Program is excited to announce that the EHS Vehicle Flagging Initiative (blue ribbon) will be expanding in the coming months.

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

In the coming weeks, the EHS MFR Program will be sending the blue ribbon to its 230+ sponsored agencies for their deployment. Phase two will see ribbon dispersed to all remaining provincial Fire Departments for their use as well.

We appreciate your ongoing cooperation, dedication to patient care and safety for all emergency responders.

Thank you,

Greg Down

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Please review the video explaining the program –

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kvAMkaLKQgI>