

## **EmergiPress Continuing Education – 1 Unit CE**

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The EmergiPress Education Newsletter is divided into three sections each month. Completing all three sections should take approximately 1 hour. After completing the sections, the corresponding EmergiPress test can be completed and submitted for 1 unit CE through your provider agency continuing education coordinator. A passing score of 80% and completion of a course evaluation is required for CE credit. Students must also sign-in on an EMS CE Roster or take course via a LMS to track completion.

### **Objectives:**

Upon completing this activity the participant will be able to:

#### Case of the Month – Recognizing DKA

- Describe potential provider impressions for undifferentiated patients with weakness
- Recognize abnormal vital signs as a sign of a serious underlying medical condition
- Review indications to check glucose
- Describe the signs and symptoms of diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA)
- Review the pathophysiology of DKA

#### ECG of the Month – Lateral STEMI

- Identify a lateral STEMI on ECG
- Recognize atypical signs and symptoms of STEMI in women
- Describe the anatomy of the coronary arteries affected in lateral STEMI
- Describe the field management and patient disposition for patients with STEMI

#### Video Learning Module – Needle Thoracostomy Updates

- Discuss the locations approved for needle thoracostomy placement for Los Angeles County paramedics
- Understand potential complications from needle thoracostomy placement
- Describe indications for needle thoracostomy
- Describe considerations for needle thoracostomy placement in children