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To: All New Hampshire Fire Service agencies

Ref: New Fireworks Injury / Fire Report

In an effort to obtain the most accurate information possible, the Office of the State Fire Marshal is asking for your agencies support and cooperation with this new program.

Enclosed with this letter you will find a copy of a Fireworks Injury / Fire Report. The purpose of this report is to generate state wide statistics on fireworks related injuries, or fires. We are asking for your department's assistance by completing this form and returning it to us by mail, email, or fax following any fire or injury involving fireworks.

With this request, a common question that will be asked is why can't you retrieve this information from the NFIRS reports our department is required to submit? The short answer is Yes, if the incident report is completed correctly. Also enclosed, you will find a guide for completing your National Fire Incident Reports for incidents involving fireworks. This guide should be provided to anyone completing your NFIRS reports. If you would like us to retrieve this information from your NFIRS database please check the box indicated in Section A (Reporting Agency Information), and return the form to us.

Please share this form with your local Emergency Medical Services provider if it is not part of your department. Should you have any questions, or require assistance with completing the form, please contact our office at (603) 271-3294.

Sincerely,

J. William Degnan  
State Fire Marshal