News from the IMSA Office

In the past few weeks, we have received a few emails about putting ICE, which stands for In Case of Emergency, in all cell phone address books. The emails went on to say:

Paramedics will turn to a victim’s cell phone for clues to that person’s identity. You can make the job much easier with a simple idea that they are trying to get everyone to adopt: ICE.

ICE stands for In Case of Emergency. If you add an entry in the contacts list in your cell phone under ICE, with the name and phone number of the person that emergency services should call on your behalf, you can save them a lot of time and have your loved ones contacted quickly.

Family members are also a good source of health information such as blood type, allergies, and any specific health problems you might have.

It only takes a few moments of your time to do. Paramedics know what ICE means and they look for it immediately. ICE your cell phone NOW!

After a little research, we found that these emails were not spam. A paramedic in England created the idea to help get emergency contact information from injured victims immediately. The more ICE listings you have in your cell phone, the more opportunities it gives emergency workers to reach your contacts. (ICE #1, ICE #2, etc.)

Until we have the data chips installed under our skin, like we do our pets, the ICE idea is one simple way to help emergency responders save lives.

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