

ENCLOSURE 1

Synopsis of Proposed Rule Revision

The proposed revisions to the Emergency Medical Services Rules will:

- Add definitions of a Community Paramedic and a Community Paramedic Program.
- Add the NAEMT Emergency Vehicle Operator Safety Course as an approved course.
- Require an Essential Job Function Analysis Form for individuals with certain conditions.
- Require an additional Interfacility Transfer Course for the Interfacility endorsement.
- Change language so that all individuals may be audited, not only online system users.
- Remove language that a protocol update certificate must be submitted with application.
- Remove the requirement to submit a Biohazard Waste Plan and replaced it with an Infection Control Plan.
- Add the submission requirement of a QA/QI Plan in conjunction with the new protocols.
- Add language that all fully volunteer services are exempt from the requirement to be in continuous operation 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.
- Remove the six intubation requirements from the Critical Care endorsement.
- Reword the section on transferring a patient to a lower level provider.
- Add language that states that a patient care report must be submitted within 24 hours.
- Clarify language on where provider services must display their service license.
- Remove the “no tobacco product use or under the influence,” while operating an ambulance or providing care, from the Enforcement to the Standards of Care Section.
- Add language that an educational institution should submit a positive drug screen to the OEMS only for licensed individuals.
- Remove the requirement from the Education Section for certain immunizations and vaccines.
- Add language that a licensed paramedic with a Tactical endorsement shall be responsible for obtaining Medical Direction before serving on any mission.
- Add Community Paramedicine Section with describes license requirements.
- Remove high school or GED equivalent requirement for EMT level.