

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The EMS Board will conduct a public hearing pursuant to R.C. 119.02 through 119.04 on Wednesday, October 15, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Room 134, 1970 W. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43223. The purpose of the hearing will be to solicit public comment on the following proposed rules to the Ohio Administrative Code:

Amendment of 4765-5-02 (Criteria for eligibility), 4765-14-01 (Definitions), and 4765-14-02 (Determination of a trauma victim);

Adoption of 4765-8-16 (Fees for certification), 4765-8-18 (Reinstatement of certificate to practice) and 4765-14-06 (Amendments affecting regional protocols);

Rescission of 4765-8-16 (Fees for certification), 4765-8-18 (Reinstatement of certificate to practice).

Rules in Chapter 4765-14 (trauma triage) are being updated in accordance with R.C. 4765.40 to ensure the rules are not causing under or over triage and to emphasize the special needs of geriatric patients.

Rule 4765-5-02 is being amended to update an outdated reference to a chapter in the Ohio Administrative Code.

Rules 4765-8-16 and 4765-8-18 are being rescinded and adopted, respectively, to adopt a new reinstatement procedure. Individuals who have completed their continuing education requirements prior to their expiration date, and whose certificates to practice have been expired for no more than 90 days, may choose to pay a reinstatement fee rather than complete the reinstatement examination.

All interested parties are invited to attend the hearing and present oral and/or written testimony. Written comments must be submitted to Heather R. Frient, Legal Services, Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43223. Comments received at the above address before the hearing will be treated as testimony.

These rules may be accessed electronically via the Division of EMS website (<http://www.ems.ohio.gov/rules.htm>). Questions concerning these proposed rules may be addressed to Ms. Frient at 614-466-7014.