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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The State Board of Emergency Medical Services will conduct a public hearing pursuant to R.C. 119.03 on Wednesday, <u>December 21, 2011</u>, at 9:00 a.m. at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Room 134, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43223.

The purpose of the hearing is to solicit public comment on the proposal to amend the following rules, in part, to reflect changes in emergency medical provider titles pursuant to House Bill 128 of the 129th General Assembly, and in part, to update terminology and references:

Amendment of 4765-3-05 (Medical director requirements for each emergency medical services organization); 4765-6-01(Procedures for additional services); 4765-6-03 (Additional services in a declared emergency); 4765-6-05 (Exposure to a nerve or organophosphate agent); 4765-6-06 (Withdrawing of blood for evidence collection); 4765-7-11 (Continuing education course requirements for Ohio EMS accredited and approved institutions); 4765-8-01 (Qualifications for a certificate to practice); 4765-8-04 (Renewal of certificate to practice); 4765-8-06 (EMS certificate to practice and EMS certificate to teach cycles and continuing education requirements); 4765-8-07 (Merging of EMS and fire certificates to establish a mutual expiration date); 4765-9-01 (Professional standards of conduct); 4765-18-02 (General provisions); 4765-18-03 (EMS instructor training program requirements for an accredited institution); 4765-18-05 (Qualifications for a certificate to teach as an EMS instructor); 4765-18-06 (Renewal of a certificate to teach as an EMS instructor); 4765-18-08 (Reinstatement of a certificate to teach as an EMS instructor); 4765-18-10 (Special topic instructor); 4765-18-11 (Reciprocity qualifications for a certificate to teach as an EMS instructor); 4765-18-13 Fire service instructor seeking certificate to teach as EMS instructor); 4765-18-15 (Qualifications for a certificate to teach as a continuing education instructor); 4765-18-18 (Qualifications for a certificate to teach as an assistant EMS instructor); 4765-18-19 (Renewal of a certificate to teach as an assistant EMS instructor); 4765-18-21 (Upgrade process for certificate to teach as assistant EMS instructor to EMS instructor; and 4765-19-01 Continuing education for EMS providers).

Rule 4765-3-05 is being amended to provide EMS organizations more options for medical directors by broadening the options for meeting the minimum qualifications to serve.

Rule 4765-6-01 is being amended to change the title of "first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, EMT-paramedic" to "emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician and paramedic," respectively. Also the term "EMS provider" will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-6-03 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which includes all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-6-05 is being amended to change the titles of "first responder and EMT-basic," to "emergency medical responder and emergency medical technician," respectively. Also the term "EMS provider" was changed to be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-6-06 is being amended to change "EMT-intermediate and EMT-paramedic" to "advanced emergency medical technician and paramedic," respectively.

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Rule 4765-7-11 is being amended to change "first responder and EMT" to "EMS provider." EMS provider is the collective term for all levels of emergency medical responders and EMTs.

Rule 4765-8-01 is being amended to change the title of "first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, and EMT-paramedic" to "emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician and paramedic," respectively. Also the term "EMS provider" will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT. Additionally corrections were made to correct references to the required National Incident Management training courses. Also an outdated reference was removed from the rule.

Rule 4765-8-04 is being amended to change the title of "first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, and EMT-paramedic" to "emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician and paramedic," respectively. Also the term "EMS provider" will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-8-06 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-8-07 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-9-01 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-18-02 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-18-03 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-18-05 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT. Also, the reference to the EMS web site address was corrected.

Rule 4765-18-06 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-18-08 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-18-10 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-18-11 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-18-13 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-18-15 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-18-18 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-18-19 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT. Also, the reference to the EMS web site address was corrected.

Rule 4765-18-21 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Rule 4765-19-01 is being amended to change the title of "first responder or EMT" to "EMS provider," which will be used to include all four levels of emergency medical responder and EMT.

Any persons affected by the proposed actions may appear at the hearing and be heard in person, by an attorney, or both, or may present their position, argument, or contention in writing. Persons may offer and examine witnesses and present evidence to show that the proposed actions will be unreasonable or unlawful.

Requests for copies of the proposed rules and/or to offer public comment may be submitted in person or by mail at the following address: Office of Legal Services, Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Suite 531C, Columbus, Ohio 43223, Telephone: (614) 466-5605.

The proposed rules may also be accessed electronically via the Division of EMS website at http://ems.ohio.gov/ems_laws.stm