

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
Emergency Medical Services**

**Date:** June 18, 2014  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m.  
**Location:** Ohio Department of Public Safety  
1970 West Broad Street, Room 134  
Columbus, Ohio 43223

The Ohio Department of Public Safety, State Board of Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services (Board), will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of soliciting comments on the following proposed changes to Chapter 4765-3 of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC), entitled "Regional Physician Advisory Boards (RPAB)." Chapter 4765-3 is being filed in response to a completed R.C. 119.032 five-year rule review.

OAC Chapter 4765-3 sets forth the makeup of prehospital emergency services regions and establishes the criteria for membership in a RPAB, as well as the roles of its members. This chapter also sets forth the minimum qualifications to serve as the medical director of an EMS organization.

Pursuant to its completed Revised Code (R.C.) section 119.032 five-year rule review, EMS proposes to:

Adopt:

Rule 4765-3-01 (Prehospital emergency medical services regions) to establish eight geographical regions within the state for the oversight and delivery of adult and pediatric prehospital emergency medical services; and

Amend:

Rule 4765-3-02 (Regional directors and regional physician advisory boards) to expand the maximum number of physicians that may serve on an RPAB from nine to twelve and to address materials incorporated by reference in compliance with sections 121.71 to 121.74 of the Revised Code;

Rule 4765-3-03 (Operations of regional directors and regional physician advisory boards) to decrease the number of times an RPAB is required to meet annually from four to two and to require the submission of meeting minutes to EMS;

Rule 4765-3-04 (Responsibilities of regional directors and regional physician advisory boards) to establish that an RPAB may also provide counsel to the Board regarding EMS system development and revisions to the EMS medical directors' course;

Rule 4765-3-05 (Medical director requirements for each emergency medical services organization) to expand certification options and delete the listing of specific EMS

medical director courses deemed acceptable by the Board and to provide that a listing of approved courses is published to the EMS website.

All interested parties are invited to attend the hearing. Any persons affected by the proposed rules 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 rules will be unreasonable or unlawful if enacted.

The proposed rules may be accessed electronically via the Division of EMS website at [http://www.publicsafety.ohio.gov/ems\\_rules\\_notices.stm](http://www.publicsafety.ohio.gov/ems_rules_notices.stm). Questions and/or public comments regarding the proposed rules may be addressed to Ellen Owens at (614) 644-5708.