

**DETROIT/EAST MEDICAL CONTROL AUTHORITY**

**SECTION FIVE**

**CRITERIA FOR SERVICE AND PERSONNEL**

**ENDORSEMENT**

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## **SECTION 5 - CRITERIA FOR SERVICE ENDORSEMENT FOR OPERATION**

The endorsement of agencies seeking licensure to provide services in the Detroit/East Medical Control authority will be considered with reference to the criteria set forth below.

### **SECTION 5.1.1 - Staffing for each level of service will be as specified herein**

1. **Medical First Response Units** - Minimum staffing will be in accordance with MDPH standards.
2. **Basic Life Support** - Minimum staffing will be one (1) Basic Emergency Medical Technician and one (1) Medical First Responder.
3. **Basic Life Support with AED** - Minimum staffing will be two (2) Basic Emergency Medical Technicians, both of whom are certified Automatic External Defibrillator Technicians.
4. **Limited Advanced Life Support** - Minimum staffing will be one (1) Emergency Medical Technician Specialist and one (1) Basic Emergency Medical Technician, both of whom are certified Automatic External Defibrillator Technicians.
5. **Advanced Life Support** - Minimum staffing shall be one (1) Paramedic and one (1) Basic Emergency Medical Technician.

### **SECTION 5.1.2 - Equipment Required**

1. Basic medical equipment and supplies shall conform to the criteria established by the Michigan Department of Public Health.
2. Additional equipment may be required by the Detroit/East Medical Control Authority.
  - A. All LALS units in this control zone shall be equipped with Automatic External Defibrillators.

### **SECTION 5.1.3 - Communications Requirements**

1. All units shall be identified through application of standard terminology and a uniform MEDCOM numbering system established by the Detroit/Wayne County EMS Council.
2. The Detroit/East EMS Communications System shall be used at all times within the Medical Control Zone. BLS communications shall take place on the VHF HEAR radio system, and LALS and ALS communications shall take place on the UHF MEDCOM radio system.

### **SECTION 5.1.4 - General Requirements**

1. The agency must provide proof of liability insurance coverage to the Control Authority.
2. The agency must agree to act in accordance with the medical policies and procedures as noted in the Medical Protocol Guidelines and defined by the Control Board, and other policies as promulgated by the Control Board.
3. The agency must declare in writing its understanding of the aforementioned criteria and agree to act in accordance with them. The agency must further acknowledge that failure to comply on a continuing basis with these criteria may result in suspension of operation privileges in the Control Zone.

## **SECTION 5.2 - CRITERIA FOR PROVIDER APPLICATION REVIEW**

### **SECTION 5.2.1**

Prospective provider agencies must submit a written request for endorsement from the Medical Control Authority. Such a request must include:

1. Copy of the proposed Application of Licensure/Relicensure to the Michigan Department of Public Health, including support letters from participating hospital if required.
2. A commitment to twenty-four (24) hour a day, seven (7) day a week availability of the level of service of the application.
3. Detailed information outlining geographic location, boundaries and target population of the proposed service area.
4. Detailed communications plan outlining existing and proposed communication capabilities.
5. Proof of professional liability insurance.
6. Declaration of understanding and agreement to comply with all Detroit/East Medical Control Authority Criteria for endorsement.

### **SECTION 5.2.2**

Prospective providers should submit an adequate number of copies of the application to the Control Authority at least sixty (60) days prior to application with the Michigan Department of Public Health.

## **SECTION 5.3 - ENDORSEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR EMS PERSONNEL**

**SECTION 5.3.1 - Licensure** - The individual must hold a valid Michigan License as a Medical First Responder (MFR), Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Emergency Medical Technician Specialist (EMTS) or Paramedic.

**SECTION 5.3.2 - Education** - The individual must have successfully completed a state approved training program commensurate with their proposed level of licensure.

**SECTION 5.3.3 - CPR and ACLS Certification** - MFR, EMT and EMTS must hold a current BCLS card from AHA or ARC. Paramedics must hold ACLS certification.

### **SECTION 5.3.4 - Certification for new personnel**

1. All practicing pre-hospital medical personnel shall possess MDPH licensure appropriate to their level of training.
2. In addition, all EMTs and Paramedics must be certified to practice in the Detroit/East Medical Control Zone by completing an emergency department clinical orientation and either a written or oral assessment of their competency at their licensure level prior to practicing above the level of EMT in the field. This requirement may be met by:
  - A. Receiving clinical experience at a DEMCA hospital of at least 48 hours during their EMTS or Paramedic training and provide copies of the documentation to the Medical Director or his or her designee.

- B. Complete a forty-eight (48) hour orientation in a DEMCA hospital if training did not include clinical experience at a DEMCA hospital. The approved rotation sites are Detroit Receiving Hospital in combination with Children's Hospital of Michigan, Henry Ford Hospital, St. John Hospital or Sinai-Grace Hospital. This assessment is to take place within the 48 hour orientation.
- C. A Paramedic must possess valid ACLS certification at all times.
- D. Successfully complete either an oral or written assessment of their competency for their appropriate licensure administered by the medical director or his or her designee.

#### **SECTION 5.3.5 - Relicensure**

- 1. The MFR, EMT, EMTS, or Paramedic must meet the relicensure requirements as set by the MDPH.
- 2. EMTS and Paramedics must spend four (4) hours in a DEMCA hospital emergency facility having their skills assessed and observed by the Project Medical Director or his/her designee. This criteria must be met every time relicensure is required by MDPH.

#### **SECTION 5.3.6 - Termination of Endorsement**

- 1. Approval to function in the DEMCA will be terminated if:
  - A. The licensed individual fails to meet relicensure requirements of the MDPH, or has his/her license revoked, or suspended by the MDPH.
  - B. EMTS or Paramedics may also lose endorsement for failure to complete ongoing education requirements listed in section 5.3.5 (2).
- 2. Endorsement will be reinstated when:
  - A. Proof of relicensure by MDPH is provided.
  - B. For EMTS and Paramedics, successful completion of a written and clinical test as specified by DEMCA is also required.