



Policies, Procedures, Standard Operating Practices

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Category: Certification Dept/Prog/Service: Base Hospital Program	Distribution: NW Region Ambulance Operators & Paramedics
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CROSS REFERENCES: Maintenance of Certification Criteria Policy (CERT-100); Initial Certification-PCP, ACP and EMA (CERT-200); Decertification (CERT-800); PCP Return to Work Reactivation (CERT-300); PCP Unsuccessful Certification (CERT-400); Recertification (CERT 700)

1. PURPOSE

To clarify NW Region Base Hospital process for paramedic decertification

2. DEFINITIONS

- i. Paramedic: as defined in subsection 1(1) of the Ambulation Act Ontario Regulation 257/00
- ii. Primary Care Paramedic (PCP): as defined in subsection 8 (1) of the Ambulation Act Ontario Regulation 257/00
- iii. Advanced Care Paramedics (ACP): defined in subsection 8 (2) of the Ambulation Act Ontario Regulation 257/00
- iv. Decertification: means the revocation, by the Medical Director, of a Paramedic's Certification
- v. Medical Director: means a physician designated by a Regional Base Hospital as the Medical Director of the Regional Base Hospital Program

3. PROCEDURE

- i. The Medical Director of the Base Hospital may request a decertification review at their discretion following a thorough investigation of an incident.
- ii. A request for a paramedic decertification review may only be authorized by the Medical Director of the Base Hospital.
- iii. The Base Hospital will comply with the MOHLTC Maintenance of Certification Policy for Decertification.

4. RELATED PRACTICES AND/OR LEGISLATIONS

- i. Ambulance Act (Ontario) and Ontario Regulation 257/00
- ii. Emergency Health Services Branch (EHSB), Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-term care (MOHLTC) and Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre (TBRHSC) Performance Agreement (PA), 2008

5. REFERENCES

- i. Current EHSB MOHLTC Basic Life Saving (BLS) & Advanced Life Saving (ALS) Patient Care Standards (PCS)