

Title: Decertification	<input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input type="checkbox"/> Procedure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOP
Category: Certification Dept/Prog/Service: Northwest Region Prehospital Care Program	Distribution: NW Region Ambulance Operators & Paramedics
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CROSS REFERENCES: Initial Certification (CERT-100), Maintenance of Certification (CERT-200), Cross Certification (CERT-300), Consolidation (CERT-400), Return to Practice (CERT-500), Remediation (CERT-600), Unsuccessful Certification (CERT-700), Decertification (CERT-800), Pre-requisite Mandatory Requirements (CERT-900)

1.0 PURPOSE

To clarify NW Region Prehospital Care Program (NWRPCP) process for paramedic decertification

2.0 DEFINITIONS

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

3.0 PROCEDURE

- 3.1 The Medical Director of the NWRPCP may request a decertification review at their discretion following a thorough investigation of an incident.
- 3.2 A request for a paramedic decertification review may only be authorized by the Medical Director of the NWRPCP.
- 3.3 The NWRPCP will comply with the MOHLTC Maintenance of Certification Policy for Decertification.

4.0 RELATED PRACTICES AND/OR LEGISLATIONS

- 4.1 Ambulance Act (Ontario) and Ontario Regulation 257/00
- 4.2 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
- 4.3 Current EHSB MOHLTC Basic Life Support (BLS) & Advanced Life Support (ALS) Patient Care Standards (PCS)