## KENTUCKY COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services

(Emergency Waivers and Modifications)

202 KAR 7:801. Medical directors.

Section 1. EMS Medical Director Requirements. (1) EMS medical directors shall:

- (a) Hold a current, unrestricted license to practice medicine in Kentucky; and
- (b) Have knowledge of EMS laws and administrative regulations in Kentucky.

Section 2. EMS Medical Director Responsibilities. EMS medical directors shall function under terms of employment or a contractual agreement that specifically address the responsibilities of the medical director and the employer or the contractor responsibilities for the following topics:

- (1) Establishing medical protocols and standing orders for communications and patient care personnel;
  - (2) Serving as a liaison with the local medical community;
- (3) Interacting with regional, state, and local EMS authorities on issues relating to EMS standards, needs and requirements and the optimization of resource utilization;
- (4) Maintaining continuing education appropriate for the EMS medical director, administrative staff, communication and patient care personnel;
  - (5) Restricting or limiting patient care functions of staff;
  - (6) Establishing patient destination policies;
  - (7) Establishing pandemic response plans;
  - (8) Establishing treat and release guidelines;
- (9) Establishing initial qualification of personnel involved in patient care and dispatch; and
- (10) Developing, implementing, and maintaining a quality improvement program for continuous system and patient care improvement.

Section 3. The board may revoke the authorization for a physician to serve as an EMS medical director. (30 Ky.R. 176; 945; eff. 11-19-2003; Crt eff. 2-19-2019.)

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