

**RESTRICTED DELIVERY CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Before the Iowa Department of Health and Human Services

IN THE MATTER OF: Blake Gray 1830 Martin Avenue Carroll, IA 51401 Certification: EMT-18-1012-01	Case Number: C 23-10-11 NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION SUSPENSION/CIVIL PENALTY
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Pursuant to the provisions of Iowa Code Sections 17A.18, 147A.7, and Iowa Administrative Code (I.A.C.) 641—131.7, the Iowa Department of Health and Human Services is proposing to indefinitely **SUSPEND** the emergency medical care provider identified above and impose a **CIVIL PENALTY** against you in the amount of \$150.00.

The department may deny an application for issuance or renewal of an emergency medical care provider certificate, including endorsement, or may impose any of the disciplinary sanctions provided in subrule 131.7(3) when it finds that the individual or certificate holder has committed any of the following acts or offenses: IAC 641-131.7

*Falsifying certification renewal reports or failure to comply with the renewal audit request
131.7(4)w*

*Willful or repeated violations of Iowa Code Chapter 147A or these rules.
IAC 641—131.7(4)t
Specifically:*

A group of individual certificate holders will be audited for each certification period. Certificate holders to be audited will be chosen in a random manner or at the discretion of the bureau of EMS. Falsifying reports or failure to comply with the audit request may result in formal disciplinary action. Certificate holders who are audited will be required to submit verification of continuing education compliance within 45 days of the request.

- (1) Date of program*
 - (2) Program sponsor number*
 - (3) Title of program*
 - (4) Number of approved hours*
- IAC 641—131.6(7)f*

Continuing education approval. The following standards shall be applied for approval of continuing education: IAC 641-131.6(8)

*a. CEHs shall have an assigned sponsor number from CAPCE, an authorized EMS training program, the board of nursing, the board of medicine or the department.
IAC 641-131.6(8)a*

*b. Human health-related college courses may be approved in advance by BETS at one quarter credit equal to 10 CEHs, one semester credit equal to 15 CEHs.
IAC 641-131.6(8)b*

The emergency medical care provider shall maintain a file containing documentation of CEHs accrued during each certification period for four years from the end of each certification period. IAC 641-131.6(7)e

Factual Circumstances. A Statement of Factual Circumstances has been provided to you as an attachment to this Notice of Proposed Action. This Notice of Proposed Action is a public record as of the date of issuance. The Statement of Factual Circumstances shall become a public record as of the date of final agency action in this matter.

Your certification shall be suspended until the Department receives, reviews and approves the documentation of:

- 1) Documentation of a minimum of 20 formal continuing education hours completed since the receipt of this notice. Hours completed between the date of receipt of this notice and the reinstatement of your certification may not be used for any other renewal period.
- 2) Continuing education hours must contain the minimum number of core CEHs by topic area for your level of Iowa EMS certification.
- 3) Payment of a \$150.00 civil penalty.

You have the right to request a hearing concerning this notice or proposed action. A request for a hearing must be submitted in writing to the Department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within twenty (20) days of receipt of this Notice of Proposed Action. The written request must be submitted to the Iowa Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Emergency Medical and Trauma Services, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. If the request is made within the twenty (20) day time limit, the proposed action is suspended pending the outcome of the hearing. Prior to, or at the hearing, the Department may rescind the notice upon satisfaction that the reason for the action has been or will be removed.

If no request for a hearing is received within the twenty (20) day time period, the disciplinary action proposed herein shall become effective and shall be final agency action.

Margot McComas

November 28, 2023

Margot McComas
Bureau Chief
Iowa Department of Health and Human Services
Bureau of Emergency Medical and Trauma Services

Date