## RESTRICTED DELIVERY CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Before the Iowa Department of Public Health

IN THE MATTER OF:

Nicholas Knotek-Wangberg 2728 Avenue F Council Bluffs, IA 51501-2138 Case Number: N 18-07-03

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

SUSPENSION/CIVIL PENALTY

Certification: PARA4000132

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 Public Health is proposing to indefinitely **SUSPEND** the emergency medical care provider identified above and impose a **CIVIL PENALTY** against you in the amount of \$300.00.

The Department may suspend and impose a civil penalty on an EMS provider when it finds that the certificate holder has committed any of the following acts or offenses:

Failure to comply with the terms of a department order or the terms of a settlement agreement or consent order. IAC 641-131.7(3)i.

Failure to respond within 30 days of receipt, unless otherwise specified, of communication from the department which was sent by registered or certified mail. IAC 641-131.7(3)ab

The following incidents resulted in issuance of this proposed action:

On August 17, 2017 the Department issued you a notice of proposed action, probation. The proposed action became the Department's final action on September 12, 2017. As part of your probation you are required to submit quarterly probation reports to the Department no later than the 10<sup>th</sup> of January, April, July, and October. You have failed to provide probation reports for the time periods covering October 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 (due January 10, 2018), January 1, 2018 through March 31, 2018 (due April 10, 2018) and April 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018 (due July 10, 2018).

Within 15 days of the final action you were required to provide the Department with written notification of receipt and understanding of your probation from all EMS supervisors, EMS services and EMS medical directors with which you are associated.

On July 9, 2018 you were sent written notification to submit the aforementioned documentation to the Department within 10 days of receipt of that notice. You were served notification via certified U.S. Mail on July 11, 2018. As of the date of this notice you have failed to respond to the Department's request for information.

Your certification shall be suspended until the following is received, processed and approved by the Department:

1) Probationary reports covering the time period of October 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017, January 1, 2018 through March 31, 2018 and April 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018.

- 2) Written notification from all EMS supervisors, EMS services and EMS medical directors with which you are associated.
- 3) Full payment of a \$300.00 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 Public Health, Bureau of Emergency and Trauma Services, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

Rebecca Curtiss, Bureau Chief Iowa Department of Public Health Bureau of Emergency and Trauma Services