

**RESTRICTED DELIVERY CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Before the Iowa Department of Public Health

<p>IN THE MATTER OF:</p> <p>Delaware Township Fire Department 3992 Broadway Avenue Des Moines, IA 50317-8917</p> <p>License: 2776800</p>	<p>Case Number: 17-10-06</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CITATION AND WARNING</p>
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Pursuant to the provisions of Iowa Code Sections 17A.18, 147A.7, and Iowa Administrative Code (I.A.C.) 641—132.10 the Iowa Department of Public Health is proposing to issue a **Citation and Warning** to the emergency medical care service identified above.

The department may issue a citation and warning when an emergency medical care service has committed any of the following acts or offenses:

Scope of Practice:

Emergency care providers shall provide only those services and procedures as are authorized within the scope of practice for which they are certified. IAC 641-132.2(4)a

Scope of Practice for Iowa EMS Providers (June 2016) is hereby incorporated and adopted by reference for emergency care providers. For any differences that may occur between the Scope of Practice adopted by reference and these administrative rules, the administrative rules shall prevail. IAC 641-132.2(4)b

Service Program Operational Requirements:

Ambulance and nontransport service programs shall;

Utilize department protocols as the standard of care. The service program medical director may make changes to the department protocols provided the changes are within the EMS provider's scope of practice and within acceptable medical practice. A copy of these changes shall be filed with the department. IAC 641-132.8(3)b

Ensure that personnel duties are consistent with the level of certification and the service program's level of authorization. IAC 641-132.8(3)c

Delegating professional responsibility to a person when the service program knows that the person is not qualified by training, education, experience or certification to perform the required duties. IAC 641-132.10(3)c

The following events have led to this notice:

In September of 2017 the Delaware Township Fire Department allowed an AEMT to administer intravenous push epinephrine in accordance with the service medical director issued protocol addition dated January 29, 2017. Administering intravenous push epinephrine is not within the scope of practice for the Iowa AEMT. The service medical director may not make changes to the service program protocols which expand the EMS providers scope of practice beyond the June 2016 Scope of Practice for Iowa EMS providers.

You are hereby **CITED** for authorizing a provider to function outside of that provider's Scope of Practice. You are **WARNED** that violating the Department's rules in the future may result in further disciplinary action, including suspension or revocation of the services authorization.

You have the right to request a hearing concerning this notice of disciplinary 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 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.



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Date