

**RESTRICTED DELIVERY CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Before the Iowa Department of Public Health

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| IN THE MATTER OF Melissa Jacobsen 509 N Locust St Avoca, IA 51521 Certification: AEMT-13-201-01 | Case: 17-03-08 NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION CITATION AND WARNING |
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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 Public Health is proposing to issue a **Citation and Warning** to the emergency medical care provider identified above.

The Department may place an EMS provider on probation when it finds that the applicant or certificate holder has committed any of the following acts or offenses:

*Willful or repeated violations of Iowa Code chapter 147A or these rules.
IAC 641—131.7(3)s*

*Rendering treatment not authorized under Iowa Code chapter 147A.
IAC 641—131.7(3)c*

*Practicing emergency medical services or using a designation of certification or otherwise holding oneself out as practicing emergency medical services at a certain level of certification when the EMS provider is not certified at such level.
IAC 641—131.7(3)aa*

Specifically:

*Emergency medical care providers shall provide only those services and procedures as are authorized within the scope of practice for which they are certified.
IAC 131.3(3)a*

*Scope of Practice for Iowa EMS Providers (June 2016) is hereby incorporated and adopted by reference for EMS providers. For differences that may occur between the adopted references and these administrative rules, the administrative rules shall prevail.
IAC 131.3(3)b*


The following events have lead to this notice:

On March 13, 2017 under the direction of a paramedic, you performed the skill of intravenous medication administration. At the time you performed this skill, you were certified as an AEMT. The skill of intravenous medication administration is not within the scope of practice for the AEMT. While you were attending training in a Paramedic course at the time this occurred, you were not completing field time or clinical as part of your training. Additionally, you posted information regarding the administration of intravenous medication to social media.

You are hereby **CITED** for performing skills outside your 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 your emergency medical care provider certification.

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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Bureau of Emergency and Trauma Services

6/27/17

Date