

**RESTRICTED DELIVERY CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Before the Iowa Department of Public Health

IN THE MATTER OF: Dennis Arrowsmith 2522 Avenue A Council Bluffs, Iowa 51501-2269 Certification: B-13-230-01	Case Number: 12-08-24 NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION SUSPENSION
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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 indefinitely **SUSPEND** the emergency medical care provider certification identified above.

The department may suspend an EMS certification when it finds that the applicant or certificate holder has committed any of the following acts or offenses:

*Knowingly making misleading, deceptive, untrue or fraudulent representations in the practice of the profession or engaging in unethical conduct or practice harmful or detrimental to the public. Proof of actual injury need not be established.
Iowa Code Section 147A.7(1)f and IAC 641—131.7(3)f*

*Failure to comply with a subpoena issued by the department or failure to cooperate with an investigation of the department.
IAC 641—131.7(3)h*

*Willful or repeated violations of Iowa Code chapter 147A or these rules.
Iowa Code Section 147A.7(1)i and IAC 641—131.7(3)s*

*Violating a statute of this state, another state, or the United States, without regard to its designation as either a felony or misdemeanor, which relates to the provision of emergency medical care, including but not limited to a crime involving dishonesty, fraud, theft, embezzlement, controlled substances, substance abuse, assault, sexual abuse, sexual misconduct, or homicide. A copy of the record of conviction or plea of guilty is conclusive evidence of the violation.
Iowa Code Section 147A.7(1)j and IAC 641—131.7(3)t*

*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 events have resulted in issuance of this proposed action:

On March 31, 2012, you completed a renewal application for your EMT-Basic certification. On the renewal, you indicated that, during the certification period, you had

been convicted of, found guilty or entered a plea of no contest to a felony or misdemeanor crime.

On June 21, 2012, a letter was delivered to your residence requesting information concerning your answers. The letter instructed you to provide the requested information within 30 days. As of the date of this notice, you have failed to provide the requested information.

In addition:

You were convicted of:

1. Assault with intent to inflict serious injury on September 8, 2011.
2. Child endangerment/no injury on September 8, 2011.

On August 3, 2008, a letter of warning was issued to you for failure to cooperate with an investigation of the Department concerning the following convictions from 2007:

1. Harassment by communication.
2. Interference with official acts.
3. Disorderly conduct.

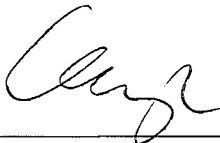
The letter also stated that further convictions or failure to cooperate with an investigation of the Department could result in disciplinary action against your certification.

Your certification shall be suspended until:

- 1) You provide an explanation of the answers you provided as described in the previous letter.
- 2) The information is reviewed and approved by the Department.

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 Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E 12th St, 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.



Gerd W. Clabaugh
Deputy Director and
Director, Division of Acute Disease Prevention and Emergency Response

9-13-12

Date