## RESTRICTED DELIVERY CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Before the Iowa Department of Public Health

IN THE MATTER OF:

Loren D Jepsen 412 Fir Street Schleswig, Iowa 51461 Case Number: 09-01-07

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

CITATION AND WARNING

Certification: B-12-210-08

Pursuant to the provisions of Iowa Code Sections 17A.18, 147A.5, and Iowa Administrative Code (I.A.C.) 641--132.10(3), the Iowa Department of Public Health is proposing to issue a **Citation and Warning** to the certification identified above.

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

Representing oneself as an EMS provider when one's certification has been suspended or revoked, or when one's certification is lapsed or has been placed on inactive status. IAC 641—131.7(2)1

*Willful or repeated violations of Iowa Code chapter 147A or these rules. IAC 641—131.7(2)s* 

Specifically:

Authority of emergency medical care personnel. An emergency medical care provider who holds an active certification issued by the department may:

a. Render, via on-line medical direction, emergency and nonemergency medical care in the area for which the emergency medical care provider is certified as part of an authorized service program:

IAC 641—131.3(1)

"Emergency medical care provider" means an individual who has been trained to provide emergency medical care and nonemergency medical care at the first responder, EMT-basic, EMT-intermediate, EMT paramedic, paramedic specialist or other certification levels recognized by the department before 1984 and who has been issued a certificate by the department. IAC 641—131.1

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(2)aa

The following incidents resulted in issuance of this proposed action:

You were engaged in the practice of emergency medical care and held yourself out to be an emergency medical care provider for a period from April 1, 2008 and February 12, 2009. During this time, your certification was expired.

You are hereby **CITED** for presenting yourself as an emergency medical care provider and engaging in the practice of EMS while expired. You are **WARNED** that violating the Department's rules in the future may result in further disciplinary action, including suspension or revocation of your 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 Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12<sup>th</sup> St, Des Moines, Iowa 50309. 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.

Kirk E. Schmitt EMS Bureau Chief

<u>5/20/2010</u> Date