144E.127 INTERHOSPITAL AND INTERFACILITY TRANSFERS.

Subdivision 1. **Interhospital transfers.** When transporting a patient from one licensed hospital to another, a licensee may substitute for one of the required ambulance service personnel, a physician, a registered nurse, or physician assistant who has been trained to use the equipment in the ambulance and is knowledgeable of the licensee's ambulance service protocols.

Subd. 2. **Interfacility transfers.** In an interfacility transport, a licensee whose primary service area is located outside the metropolitan counties listed in section 473.121, subdivision 4, and outside the cities of Duluth, Mankato, Moorhead, Rochester, and St. Cloud; or an ambulance service based in a community with a population of less than 1,000, may substitute one EMT with a registered emergency medical responder if an EMT or paramedic, physician, registered nurse, or physician assistant is in the patient compartment. If using a physician, registered nurse, or physician assistant as the sole provider in the patient compartment, the individual must be trained to use the equipment in the ambulance and be knowledgeable of the ambulance service protocols.

History: *1999 c 245 art 9 s 30; 2007 c 147 art 16 s 12; 2012 c 193 s 25,49*