144E.265 MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

Subdivision 1. **Requirements.** A medical director shall:

(1) be currently licensed as a physician in this state;

(2) have experience in, and knowledge of, emergency care of acutely ill or traumatized patients; and

(3) be familiar with the design and operation of local, regional, and state emergency medical service systems.

Subd. 2. **Responsibilities.** Responsibilities of the medical director shall include, but are not limited to:

(1) approving standards for education and orientation of personnel that impact patient care;

(2) approving standards for purchasing equipment and supplies that impact patient care;

(3) establishing standing orders for prehospital care;

(4) approving written triage, treatment, and transportation guidelines for adult and pediatric patients;

(5) participating in the development and operation of continuous quality improvement programs including, but not limited to, case review and resolution of patient complaints;

(6) establishing procedures for the administration of drugs; and

(7) maintaining the quality of care according to the standards and procedures established under clauses (1) to (6).

Subd. 3. **Annual assessment; ambulance service.** Annually, the medical director or the medical director's designee shall assess the practical skills of each person on the ambulance service roster and sign a statement verifying the proficiency of each person. The statements shall be maintained in the licensee's files.

History: *1999 c 245 art 9 s 34; 2004 c 144 s 2; 2012 c 193 s 26*