



Virginia Beach Department of Emergency Medical Services



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Administration

MEDICAL DIRECTOR JOB STATEMENT

I. SUMMARY POSITION DESCRIPTION

Establishes medical policy for emergency medical services operations for the City's Department of Emergency Medical Services; does related work as required.

II. CRITICAL ELEMENTS OF PERFORMANCE

Provides overall medical direction for the Service's emergency medical technician (EMT), emergency medical technician - shock trauma (EMT-ST), emergency medical technician-cardiac (EMT-C), emergency medical technician - paramedic (EMT-P) and other levels of provider provision certification in order to maintain control of patient care in accordance with state rules and regulations; establishes medical policy in accordance with medical control functions to provide uniform benchmarks for patient care provision; establishes standards for basic and advanced training and continuing education programs for all EMS personnel to provide uniformity in patient care provision among agencies; establishes coordination mechanisms with area agencies to maintain regional cooperation; establishes appropriate medical protocols for all operational phases of the basic and advanced life support programs and establishes policy on the selection and use of medications, supplies and medical equipment in cooperation with other physicians and the Chief of the Department in order to ensure the utilization of proper procedures and materiel; reviews ambulance calls in consort with the EMS Chief to verify appropriate medical care provision; promotes and encourages the continued growth and perpetuation of the all volunteer rescue service.

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III. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Effectively establishes working relationships with the Chief of EMS and his staff; effectively formulates sound medical policies and protocols; competently sets medical training and retraining standards for EMS system providers; effectively provides advice to the Chief of EMS in matters pertaining to the selection, correction, and supervision of medical care providers.

IV. KNOWLEDGE-SKILL-ABILITY REQUIRED TO PERFORM SATISFACTORILY

A. Knowledge

1. Knowledge in the general practice of emergency medicine.
2. Knowledge of the operations of the emergency medical services system.
3. Knowledge of the laws and ordinances pertaining to emergency medical services.
4. Knowledge of educational principles and techniques.
5. Knowledge of practices and techniques of report review and analysis.

B. Skill

1. Skill to perform the duties of an emergency care physician.
2. Skill in the formulation of medical procedures.
3. Skill in communicating highly technical medical information.
4. Skill in performing case reviews.

C. Ability

1. Ability to establish effective working relationships among individuals and organizations.
2. Ability to work well with volunteers.
3. Ability to perform medical procedures.

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