



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 4765-3-05 Medical director requirements for each emergency medical services organization.

Effective: April 1, 2019

(A) The medical director for each EMS organization shall meet the following minimum qualifications:

- (1) Possession of a valid Ohio medical license in good standing;
- (2) Active involvement in the provision of emergency care to patients;
- (3) Active participation with one or more EMS organizations, including but not limited to:
 - (a) Conducting performance improvement programs;
 - (b) Conducting education programs;
 - (c) Conducting protocol updates.
- (4) Evidence of high ethical standards and no conflicts of interest;
- (5) Utilizes aggregate data from the division in peer review and quality improvement programs at the local level;
- (6) Except as set forth in paragraphs (B) and (C) of this rule, evidence of one of the following:
 - (a) Board certification by the "American Board of Emergency Medicine" or the "American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine";
 - (b) Board eligibility by completion of an emergency medicine residency program recognized by the "American Board of Medical Specialties" or the "American Osteopathic Association";



(c) Board certification by a medical specialty board recognized by the "American Board of Medical Specialties" or the "American Osteopathic Association," followed by successful completion of an emergency medical services fellowship;

(d) Board certification by the "American Board of Pediatrics" or the "American Osteopathic Board of Pediatrics," followed by successful completion of a pediatric emergency medicine fellowship program accredited by the "Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education" or the "American Osteopathic Association Program and Trainee Review Council";

(e) Subspecialty board certification by the "American Board of Emergency Medicine" in emergency medical services.

(B) An existing medical director who meets all the qualifications listed in paragraph (A) of this rule except paragraph (A)(6) shall do either of the following:

(1) Complete an EMS medical director course approved by the board. A list of courses which have been reviewed and deemed acceptable by the board is available at <http://www.ems.ohio.gov/medicaldirection-requirements.aspx>; or

(2) Submit to the board written verification of EMS medical director experience and verification that the individual conducted performance improvement programs or training.

(C) A physician who meets all of the qualifications listed in paragraph (A) of this rule except paragraph (A)(6) and wishes to become a new medical director shall do all of the following:

(1) Complete an EMS medical director course approved by the board. A list of courses which have been reviewed and deemed acceptable by the board is available at <https://www.ems.ohio.gov/medicaldirection-requirements.aspx>;

(2) Petition the board for a waiver of the emergency medicine residency program requirement. The state medical director, in conjunction with the RPAB chairs, will review the petition for waiver and make a recommendation to the board;



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(3) Submit any and all additional information or documents requested by the board, the state medical director, or the RPAB chairs to support the petition.

(D) Each medical director is required to participate in peer review and quality improvement programs, as provided in section 4765.12 of the Revised Code.