

	<p style="text-align: center;">SOUTHERN FOX VALLEY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM POLICY & PROCEDURES</p>				
<p>TITLE: SOUTHERN FOX VALLEY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM ALTERNATIVE EMS MEDICAL DIRECTOR</p>					
<p>SECTION: ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE</p>			<p>POLICY NUMBER: A-2.0</p>		
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PURPOSE:

As defined in the State of Illinois Rules and Regulations Section 515.100, "the physician who is designated by the Resource Hospital to direct the ALS/Advanced/ILS/BLS operations in the absence of the EMS Medical Director."

The Alternate EMS MD for an ILS or ALS or CCT level EMS System shall be a physician licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches in Illinois, and shall be certified by the American Board of Emergency Medicine or the American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine, and, for a BLS level EMS System, the EMS MD shall be a physician licensed to practice medicine in all of its branches in Illinois, with regular and frequent involvement in pre-hospital emergency medical services. In addition, all EMS MDs shall:

- 1) Have experience on an EMS vehicle at the highest level available within the System, or make provision to gain such experience within 12 months prior to the date responsibility for the System is assumed or within 90 days after assuming the position;
- 2) Be thoroughly knowledgeable of all skills included in the scope of practices of all levels of EMS Personnel within the System; and
- 3) Have or make provision to gain experience instructing students at a level similar to that of the levels of EMS Personnel within the System; and
- 4) For ILS and ALS EMS MDs, successfully complete a Department-approved EMS MD's Course. (Section 3.20(c) (1 through 6) of the Act)

The EMS MD shall *appoint an alternate EMS MD and establish a written protocol addressing the functions to be carried out in his or her absence.* (Section 3.35(b) of the Act)

POLICY:

1. In the event the EMS Medical Director is unavailable or otherwise unable to fulfill his/her duties the Alternative EMS Medical Director should be notified. The Alternative EMS Medical Director should assume full responsibilities of the EMS Medical Director as described in the Illinois EMS Act and IDPH Rule and Regulations with the provisions of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules, the Title 77: Public Health Chapter I: Department of Public Health Subchapter f: Emergency Services and Highway Safety.
2. To serve as the EMS Medical Director for the Paramedic Program as outlined by CoAEMSP and CAAHEP.

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