ALS Provider Skills Verification Information

Initial Credentialing:

The EMS agency medical director must make an initial assessment of each ALS provider at or above the AEMT level to determine whether the EMS provider has the knowledge and skills to competently perform the skills within the EMS provider's scope of practice

Annual Credentialing:

The EMS agency medical director must make an assessment within 12 calendar months of the last assessment, of each EMS provider at or above the AEMT level to determine whether the EMS provider has demonstrated competency in the knowledge and skills to perform the skills within the EMS provider's scope of practice.

Recommendations:

The EMS agency medical director must recommend to the EMS agency if an EMS provider not be permitted to provide EMS at the EMS provider's certification level if the EMS agency medical director determines the EMS provider has not demonstrated competency in the knowledge and skills to perform the skills within the EMS provider's scope of practice and recommend restrictions on the EMS provider's practice for the EMS agency to ensure patient safety.

An EMS agency may not permit an EMS provider at or above the AEMT level to provide EMS at the EMS provider's certification level if the EMS agency medical director determines the EMS provider has not demonstrated the knowledge and skills to competently perform the skills within the scope of practice.

Under these circumstances, an EMS agency may continue to permit the EMS provider to provide EMS for EMS agency only in accordance with the restrictions as the EMS agency medical director may prescribe. The EMS agency shall notify the Department within ten (10) days after it makes a decision to allow an EMS provider to practice at a lower level based upon the assessment of the EMS provider's skills and other qualifications by the EMS agency medical director or a decision to terminate the EMS agency's use of the EMS provider based upon its consideration of the EMS agency medical director's assessment.

Maintain Records:

The EMS agency shall maintain a record for seven (7) years of the EMS agency medical director's assessments and recommendations provider under the EMS Systems Act.

The EMS agency shall have the skills verification documents available for inspection by the Department or a regional EMS council.