

STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES

DELTA-CARDIFF
VOLUNTEER
FIRE COMPANY

S.O.G. E57-52 Revision: 0

SUBJECT: Reportable Conduct

DIVISION: Ambulance

INITIAL DATE: 27 June 2003

EFFECTIVE DATE: 23 February 2004

PURPOSE: To ensure that improper conduct is reported as per state statutes and regulations.

APPLICABLE TO: All EMS Personnel

AUTHORITY: DCVFC Ambulance Committee

1. A written report shall be filed by the Ambulance Division with the Department of Health (DOH) through the Emergency Health Services Federation if any personnel have engaged in conduct not previously reported to the DOH for which the DOH may impose disciplinary sanctions under Title 28, §1003.27 (relating to disciplinary and corrective action).
2. The duty to report pertains to conduct that occurs during a period of time in which the pre-hospital practitioner is functioning for the Ambulance Division. The duty to report also applies if the pre-hospital practitioner has recently left the membership rolls.
3. Reportable conduct under §1003.27 includes:
 - A. Demonstrated incompetence to provide adequate emergency medical services.
 - B. Deceptive or fraudulent procurement or misrepresentation of certification or recognition credentials.
 - C. Willful or negligent practice beyond the scope of certification or recognition authorization.
 - D. Abuse or abandonment of a patient.
 - E. The rendering of services while under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs.
 - F. The operation of an emergency vehicle in a reckless manner or while under the influence of illegal drugs or alcohol.
 - G. Disclosure of medical or other information if prohibited by Federal or State law.
 - H. Willful preparation or filing of false medical reports or records, or the inducement of others to do so.
 - I. Destruction of medical records required to be maintained.

- J. Refusal to render emergency medical care because of a patient's race, sex, creed, national origin, sexual preference, age, handicap, medical problem or financial inability to pay.
- K. Failure to comply with DOH-approved regional EMS council transfer and medical treatment protocols.
- L. Failure to comply with ambulance response reporting requirements as established by the DOH.
- M. Failure to meet recertification requirements.
- N. Conviction of a felony or crime involving moral turpitude. Conviction includes a judgment of guilt, a plea of guilty or a plea of *nolo contendere*.
- O. Conviction of a misdemeanor, which relates to the practice or the profession of the prehospital practitioner. Conviction is a judgment of guilt.
- P. A willful or consistent pattern of failure to complete details on a patient's medical record.
- Q. Misuse or misappropriation of drugs or medication.
- R. Having a certification or other authorization to practice a health care profession or occupation revoked, suspended or subjected to disciplinary sanction.
- S. Failure to comply with skill maintenance requirements established by the DOH.
- T. Violating a duty imposed by the act, this part or an order of the DOH previously entered in a disciplinary proceeding.
- U. Other reasons as determined by the DOH, which pose a threat to the health and safety of the public.

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