

Western Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee

Title: Requirements and Responsibilities of a Service Medical Director	Effective Date: September 1995 Page: 1 of 2
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Policy:	<p>It is the policy of the WREMAC that Service Medical Directors meet the requirements of the NYS DOH as outlined in NYS DOH Bureau of EMS Policy Statements 95-01 (Providing Medical Control) and 03-07 (Providing Medical Direction) as well as meet regional requirements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The physician must be licensed in the State of New York ▶ The physician must have knowledge and experience in the delivery of emergency medical care ▶ The physician must actively work in an Emergency Department ▶ The physician must complete a Base Station Course or equivalent as approved by the WREMAC
Procedure:	<p>The Responsibilities of the EMS Service Medical Director</p> <p>Unless otherwise provided for in statute, rule or policy the responsibilities of an EMS Service Medical Director shall include, but not be limited to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assure that service certified EMS personnel are oriented to the protocols promulgated by the SEMAC and the REMAC(s) for the area(s) of operation of the service, 2. Interact with REMAC in the development of protocols, the regional Quality Improvement (QI) process and in disciplinary issues, 3. Active development, review and participation in the Quality Improvement program developed by the service as part of the Regional Council's Quality Improvement program, as required in PHL §3006, or §3004-a, 4. Participate, as necessary, with the service's certified EMS personnel in Continuing Education Programs and the re-certification process, 5. Verify, by affirmation provided by the department, that he/she serves as the medical director for the EMS service, 6. Work with the service's providers on issues and questions regarding patient care, 7. Participate/interact in other activities that relate to the provision of medical care or affect the patient care provided by the EMS service. 8. Those medical directors providing oversight for more than 10 agencies must apply for a waiver from the WREMAC of the 10 agency limit, with the exception of an emergency appointment of the WREMAC chair as a temporary service medical director as detailed in WREMAC policy 1999-5.
Reference:	NYS DOH Bureau of EMS Policy Statements 95-01 (Providing Medical Control) and 03-07 (Providing Medical Direction)