

## R.61-7, Emergency Medical Services – Proposed Amendment

General Assembly review required

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### Status |

NOD published; comment period closed

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### Summary |

Pursuant to R.61-7, Emergency Medical Services, the Department is the central authority establishing an emergency medical services program for the state and regulates general licensing, certification, inspection, and training procedures. The Department proposes amending R.61-7 to update and revise definitions and requirements regarding obtaining licensure, inspections, personnel, enforcement, ambulance permits, training, vehicles, medical equipment, patient care, Do Not Resuscitate (“DNR”) Orders, record maintenance and retention, and licensure standards. The Department may add language to incorporate current provider-wide exceptions applicable to emergency management services.

The Department may also include stylistic changes, which may include corrections for clarity, readability, grammar, punctuation, codification, and overall improvement of the text.

The Administrative Procedures Act, S.C. Code Section 1-23-120(A), requires General Assembly review of these proposed amendments.

### History |

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## R.61-24, Licensed Midwives – Proposed Amendment

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General Assembly review required

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### Status |

NPR comment period open:  
August 28, 2020 – September 28, 2020

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### Summary |

The Department of Health and Environmental Control (“Department”) proposes amending R.61-24 to update provisions in accordance with current practices and standards. Proposed amendments incorporate and revise provisions relating to statutory mandates, update definitions to conform to the terminology widely used and understood within the provider community, and revise requirements for scope of practice, incident reporting, continuing education training requirements, prescription medication administration, client and neonate care and services, infection control, monetary penalties, and other requirements for licensure. The Department further proposes revisions for clarity and readability, grammar, references, codification, and overall improvement to the text of the regulation. R.61-24 was last amended in 2013.

The Administrative Procedures Act, S.C. Code Section 1-23-120(A), requires General Assembly review of these proposed amendments.

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## R.61-96, Athletic Trainers – Proposed Amendment

State Register Document No. 4996

General Assembly review required

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### Summary |

The Department of Health and Environmental Control (“Department” or “DHEC”) proposes amending R.61-96 to update provisions in accordance with current practices and standards. Proposed amendments incorporate and revise provisions relating to statutory mandates, update definitions to conform to terminology widely used and understood within the provider community, and revise requirements for obtaining certification, inspections and investigations, continuing education, patient care, documentation, and the incorporation of statutory change allowing for monetary penalties. The proposed amendments also update the structure of the regulation throughout for consistency with other DHEC Healthcare Quality regulations.

The Department further proposes revisions for clarity, readability, grammar, references, codification, and overall improvement to the text of the regulation. R.61-96 was last amended in 2015.

The Administrative Procedures Act, S.C. Code Section 1-23-120(A), requires General Assembly review of these proposed amendments.

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