

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

State Register Document No. 5030

General Assembly review required

Link to published Notice of Proposed Regulation (“NPR”): [www.scstatehouse.gov/regs/5030.docx](http://www.scstatehouse.gov/regs/5030.docx)

### Status |

NPR comment period open:  
December 25, 2020 – January 25, 2021

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### Summary |

The Department proposes amending R.61-7 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, revise requirements to Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) training programs, ambulance design and equipment to reflect current industry standards, incident reporting, sanitation and infection control, monetary penalties, and other requirements for EMS agency licensure, ambulance permitting, and EMT certification. The Department further proposes revisions for clarity and readability, grammar, references, codification, and overall improvement to the text of the regulation. R.61-7 was last amended in 2016.

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

### History |

NOD published; comment period started:	February 28, 2020
NOD comment period closed:	March 30, 2020
Board approval to publish NPR:	December 10, 2020
Public Hearing (scheduled):	February 11, 2021

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

State Register Document No. 4974

General Assembly review required

Link to published Notice of Proposed Regulation (“NPR”): [www.scstatehouse.gov/regs/4974.docx](http://www.scstatehouse.gov/regs/4974.docx)

### Status |

NPR published; comment period closed

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### Summary |

The 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.

### History |

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NOD comment period closed:	March 30, 2020
Board approval to publish NPR:	August 13, 2020
NPR published; comment period started:	August 28, 2020
NPR comment period closed:	September 28, 2020
Public Hearing (scheduled)*:	November 12, 2020

**\*The Public Hearing will be continued on January 7, 2021.**

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

State Register Document No. 4996

General Assembly review required

Link to Notice of Final Regulation (“NFR”) for legislative review: [www.scstatehouse.gov/regs/4996.docx](http://www.scstatehouse.gov/regs/4996.docx)

### Status |

Legislative review of NFR will begin: January 2021

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### Summary |

The Department 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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NPR comment period closed:	October 26, 2020
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