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SUBJECT: Overview of Pennsylvania Department of Health

Ambulance Service Licensure Program

TO: Ambulance Services

FROM: Emergency Medical Services Office

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This is to inform you that the Emergency Medical Services Office has recently issued the revised Overview of Pennsylvania Department of Health Ambulance Service Licensure Program, dated September 2004.

Revisions were necessary due to the elimination of the old paper application process for licensure/relicensure and the use of the electronic licensure application procedure. In addition to the inclusion of the electronic application procedure, changes were made on the equipment listing with the addition of both the epinephrine auto injectors and pulse oximetry, but only as *optional equipment* that ambulance services are permitted to carry and have their personnel use, provided they meet the requirements for each of the pieces of equipment. The revised Overview has already been placed on the Department's website, can be downloaded, and printed out for the service's use as a reference guide. The website address is www.health.state.pa.us and is located under quick clicks - Emergency Medical Services (EMS).

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