

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT[641]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 147A.4, the Department of Public Health hereby amends Chapter 131, "Emergency Medical Services Provider Education/Training/Certification," Iowa Administrative Code.

The rules in Chapter 131 describe the standards for the education, training, and certification of emergency medical providers and establish a standard of conduct for training programs, students, and providers. These proposed amendments update disciplinary rules for providers and eliminate the fee for retirement of an EMS certification.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the September 24, 2008, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 7169B**. One comment was received neither clearly supporting nor opposing the changes. The adopted amendments are identical to those published under Notice.

These amendments were adopted by the State Board of Health on November 12, 2008.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 147A.

These amendments will become effective on January 7, 2009.

The following amendments are adopted.

ITEM 1. Amend paragraph **131.4(3)"h"** as follows:

h. An individual may request an inactive or retired status for a certificate. The request must be made ~~to the department in writing by submitting a change of status request, available through the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of EMS, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075, or the bureau of EMS Web site (www.idph.state.ia.us/ems). A certification card reflecting the inactive or retired status may be issued to the individual for a fee of \$30.~~ Reinstatement of an inactive or retired certificate shall be made pursuant to 131.4(3) "*f.*" A request for inactive or retired status, when accepted in connection with a disciplinary investigation or proceeding, has the same effect as an order of revocation.

ITEM 2. Rescind and reserve paragraph **131.4(8)"f."**

ITEM 3. Amend paragraph **131.7(2)"u"** as follows:

u. Having certification to practice emergency medical care suspended or revoked, or having other disciplinary action taken by a licensing or certifying authority of this state or another state, territory or country. A ~~certified~~ copy of the record or order of suspension, revocation or disciplinary action is conclusive or prima facie evidence.

ITEM 4. Adopt the following **new** paragraph **131.7(2)"ab"**:

ab. Failure to respond within 30 days of receipt, unless otherwise specified, of communication from the department which was sent by registered or certified mail.

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