

**147A.4 Rulemaking authority.**

1. *a.* The department shall adopt rules required or authorized by [this subchapter](#) pertaining to the operation of service programs which have received authorization under [section 147A.5](#) to utilize the services of certified emergency medical care providers. These rules shall include but need not be limited to requirements concerning physician supervision, necessary equipment and staffing, and reporting by service programs which have received the authorization pursuant to [section 147A.5](#).

*b.* The director, pursuant to rule, may grant exceptions and variances from the requirements of rules adopted under [this subchapter](#) for any service program. Exceptions or variations shall be reasonably related to undue hardships which existing services experience in complying with [this subchapter](#) or the rules adopted pursuant to [this subchapter](#). Services requesting exceptions and variances shall be subject to other applicable rules adopted pursuant to [this subchapter](#).

2. The department shall adopt rules required or authorized by [this subchapter](#) pertaining to the examination and certification of emergency medical care providers. These rules shall include, but need not be limited to, requirements concerning prerequisites, training, and experience for emergency medical care providers and procedures for determining when individuals have met these requirements. The department shall adopt rules to recognize the previous EMS training and experience of emergency medical care providers transitioning to the emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician, and paramedic levels. The department may require additional training and examinations as necessary and appropriate to ensure that individuals seeking transition to another level have met the knowledge and skill requirements. All requirements for transition to another level, including fees, shall be adopted by rule.

3. The department shall establish the fee for the examination of the emergency medical care providers to cover the administrative costs of the examination program.

4. The department shall adopt rules required or authorized by [this subchapter](#) pertaining to the operation of training programs. These rules shall include but need not be limited to requirements concerning curricula, resources, facilities, and staff.

[C79, 81, §147A.4; [82 Acts, ch 1005, §1, 2](#)]

[84 Acts, ch 1287, §4](#); [86 Acts, ch 1245, §1143](#); [89 Acts, ch 89, §7](#); [93 Acts, ch 58, §3](#); [95 Acts, ch 41, §12, 28](#); [99 Acts, ch 141, §22](#); [2009 Acts, ch 133, §198](#); [2010 Acts, ch 1149, §10](#)

Referred to in [§147A.6](#)