

Part 2 Programs, Plans, and Duties

26-8a-201 Public awareness efforts.

The department may:

- (1) develop programs to inform the public of the emergency medical service system; and
- (2) develop and disseminate emergency medical training programs for the public, which emphasize the prevention and treatment of injuries and illnesses.

Enacted by Chapter 141, 1999 General Session

26-8a-202 Emergency medical communications.

Consistent with federal law, the department is the lead agency for coordinating the statewide emergency medical service communication systems under which emergency medical personnel, dispatch centers, and treatment facilities provide medical control and coordination between emergency medical service providers.

Enacted by Chapter 141, 1999 General Session

26-8a-203 Data collection.

- (1) The committee shall specify the information that shall be collected for the emergency medical services data system established pursuant to Subsection (2).
- (2) The department shall establish an emergency medical services data system which shall provide for the collection of information, as defined by the committee, relating to the treatment and care of patients who use or have used the emergency medical services system.
- (3) Persons providing emergency medical services shall provide information to the department for the emergency medical services data system established pursuant to Subsection (2).

Amended by Chapter 297, 2011 General Session

26-8a-204 Disaster coordination plan.

The department shall develop and implement, in cooperation with state, federal, and local agencies empowered to oversee disaster response activities, plans to provide emergency medical services during times of disaster or emergency.

Enacted by Chapter 141, 1999 General Session

26-8a-205 Pediatric quality improvement program.

The department shall establish a pediatric quality improvement resource program.

Enacted by Chapter 141, 1999 General Session

26-8a-206 Personnel stress management program.

- (1) The department shall develop and implement a statewide program to provide support and counseling for personnel who have been exposed to one or more stressful incidents in the course of providing emergency services.
- (2) This program shall include:

- (a) ongoing training for agencies providing emergency services and counseling program volunteers; and
- (b) critical incident stress debriefing for personnel at no cost to the emergency provider.

Enacted by Chapter 141, 1999 General Session

26-8a-207 Emergency medical services grant program.

- (1)
 - (a) The department shall receive as dedicated credits the amount established in Section 51-9-403. That amount shall be transferred to the department by the Division of Finance from funds generated by the surcharge imposed under Title 51, Chapter 9, Part 4, Criminal Conviction Surcharge Allocation.
 - (b) Funds transferred to the department under this section shall be used for improvement of delivery of emergency medical services and administrative costs as described in Subsection (2)(a). Appropriations to the department for the purposes enumerated in this section shall be made from those dedicated credits.
- (2)
 - (a) The department may use the funds transferred to it under Subsection (1):
 - (i) to provide staff support; and
 - (ii) for other expenses incurred in:
 - (A) administration of grant funds; and
 - (B) other department administrative costs under this chapter.
 - (b) After funding staff support, administrative expenses, and trauma system development, the department and the committee shall make emergency medical services grants from the remaining funds received as dedicated credits under Subsection (1). A recipient of a grant under this Subsection (2)(b) shall actively provide emergency medical services within the state.
 - (c) The department shall distribute not less than 25% of the funds, with the percentage being authorized by a majority vote of the committee, as per capita block grants for use specifically related to the provision of emergency medical services to nonprofit prehospital emergency medical services providers that are either licensed or designated and to emergency medical services that are the primary emergency medical services for a service area. The department shall determine the grant amounts by prorating available funds on a per capita basis by county as described in department rule.
 - (d) The committee shall award the remaining funds as competitive grants for use specifically related to the provision of emergency medical services based upon rules established by the committee.

Amended by Chapter 297, 2011 General Session

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26-8a-208 Fees for training equipment rental, testing, and quality assurance reviews.

- (1) The department may charge fees, established pursuant to Section 26-1-6:
 - (a) for the use of department-owned training equipment;
 - (b) to administer tests and conduct quality assurance reviews; and
 - (c) to process an application for a certificate, designation, permit, or license.
- (2)
 - (a) Fees collected under Subsections (1)(a) and (b) shall be separate dedicated credits.

(b) Fees under Subsection (1)(a) may be used to purchase training equipment.

(c) Fees under Subsection (1)(b) may be used to administer tests and conduct quality assurance reviews.

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