

CHAPTER 144E

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
REGULATORY BOARD

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144E.11 AMBULANCE SERVICE APPLICATION PROCEDURE.

[For text of subs 1 to 5, see M.S.2002]

Subd. 6. **Review criteria.** When reviewing an application for licensure, the board and administrative law judge shall consider the following factors:

(1) the recommendations or comments of the governing bodies of the counties, municipalities, community health boards as defined under section 145A.09, subdivision 2, and regional emergency medical services system designated under section 144E.50 in which the service would be provided;

(2) the deleterious effects on the public health from duplication, if any, of ambulance services that would result from granting the license;

(3) the estimated effect of the proposed service or expansion in primary service area on the public health; and

(4) whether any benefit accruing to the public health would outweigh the costs associated with the proposed service or expansion in primary service area. The administrative law judge shall recommend that the board either grant or deny a license or recommend that a modified license be granted. The reasons for the recommendation shall be set forth in detail. The administrative law judge shall make the recommendations and reasons available to any individual requesting them.

[For text of subs 7 to 9, see M.S.2002]

History: 1Sp2003 c 14 art 8 s 1

144E.41 PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY; QUALIFIED AMBULANCE SERVICE PERSONNEL.

(a) Persons eligible to participate in the ambulance service personnel longevity award and incentive program are qualified ambulance service personnel.

(b) Qualified ambulance service personnel are ambulance attendants, ambulance drivers, and ambulance service medical directors or medical advisors who meet the following requirements:

(1) employment of the person by or provision by the person of service to an ambulance service that is licensed as such by the state of Minnesota and that provides ambulance services that are generally available to the public and are free of unfair discriminatory practices under chapter 363A;

(2) performance by the person during the 12 months ending as of the immediately previous June 30 of all or a predominant portion of the person's services in the state of Minnesota or on behalf of Minnesota residents, as verified by August 1 annually in an affidavit from the chief administrative officer of the ambulance service;

(3) current certification of the person during the 12 months ending as of the immediately previous June 30 by the board as an ambulance attendant, ambulance driver, or ambulance service medical director or medical advisor under section 144E.265 or 144E.28, and supporting rules, and current active ambulance service employment or service provision status of the person, as verified by August 1 annually in an affidavit from the chief administrative officer of the ambulance service; and

(4) conformance by the person with the definition of the phrase "volunteer ambulance attendant" under section 144E.001, subdivision 15, except that for the salary limit specified in that provision there must be substituted, for purposes of this section only, a limit of \$3,000 for calendar year 1993, and \$3,000 multiplied by the cumulative percentage increase in the national Consumer Price Index, all items, for urban wage earners and clerical workers, as published by the federal Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, since December 31, 1993, and for an ambulance service medical director, conformance based solely on the person's hourly stipends or salary for service as a medical director.

(c) The term "active ambulance service employment or service provision status" means being in good standing with and on the active roster of the ambulance service making the certification.

(d) The maximum period of ambulance service employment or service provision for which a person may receive credit towards an award under this chapter, including prior service credit under section 144E.45, subdivision 2, paragraph (c), is 20 years.

(e) For a person who is employed by or provides service to more than one ambulance service concurrently during any period during the 12-month period, credit towards an award under this chapter is limited to one ambulance service during any period. The creditable period is with the ambulance service for which the person undertakes the greatest portion of employment or service hours.

History: 2003 c 2 art 1 s 17

144E.50 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND.

[For text of subs 1 to 4, see M.S.2002]

Subd. 5. **Distribution.** Money from the fund shall be distributed according to this subdivision. Ninety-five percent of the fund shall be distributed annually on a contract for services basis with each of the eight regional emergency medical services systems designated by the board. The systems shall be governed by a body consisting of appointed representatives from each of the counties in that region and shall also include representatives from emergency medical services organizations. The board shall contract with a regional entity only if the contract proposal satisfactorily addresses proposed emergency medical services activities in the following areas: personnel training, transportation coordination, public safety agency cooperation, communications systems maintenance and development, public involvement, health care facilities involvement, and system management. If each of the regional emergency medical services systems submits a satisfactory contract proposal, then this part of the fund shall be distributed evenly among the regions. If one or more of the regions does not contract for the full amount of its even share or if its proposal is unsatisfactory, then the board may reallocate the unused funds to the remaining regions on a pro rata basis. Five percent of the fund shall be used by the board to support regionwide reporting systems and to provide other regional administration and technical assistance.

[For text of subd 6, see M.S.2002]

History: 1Sp2003 c 14 art 7 s 44