## PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE

## STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

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EXPLANATION - Matter in italics is new; matter in brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§1-4, NRS 450B.191, 450B.1915, 450B.195 and 450B.197 and section 1 of Assembly Bill No. 349, chapter 341, Statutes of Nevada 2009, at page 1532.

A REGULATION relating to emergency medical technicians; providing procedures and requirements for certain emergency medical technicians to apply for an endorsement to administer immunizations, dispense medications and prepare and respond to certain public health needs; providing the circumstances under which an emergency medical technician may participate in certain public vaccination clinics; providing for the expiration and renewal of such an endorsement; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

- **Section 1.** Chapter 450B of NAC is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2, 3 and 4 of this regulation.
- Sec. 2. 1. To receive an endorsement to administer immunizations, dispense medications and prepare and respond to certain public health needs, an applicant must:
- (a) Provide verification of current certification as an intermediate emergency medical technician or an advanced emergency medical technician which is issued pursuant to this chapter and chapter 450B of NRS;
- (b) Provide proof of the successful completion of a training program for the influenza vaccine approved by the Health Division; and
- (c) Demonstrate, under the direct supervision of a person who is licensed as a physician or physician assistant pursuant to chapter 630 of NRS or as an advanced practitioner of nursing

pursuant to chapter 632 of NRS, the administration of an injection of normal saline to a patient or volunteer.

- 2. An applicant is not required to pay a fee to receive an endorsement pursuant to this section.
- Sec. 3. A person who receives an endorsement pursuant to section 2 of this regulation may participate in:
- 1. A public vaccination clinic or training exercise sponsored by a local public health authority if:
- (a) A list of the emergency medical technicians with an endorsement who are participating in the clinic or training exercise is approved by the Health Division before the clinic or training exercise begins; and
- (b) The person who holds the endorsement is under the direct supervision of the local health officer, or his designee, of the jurisdiction in which the immunization is administered.
  - 2. A public vaccination clinic in response to any emergency if:
- (a) A list of the emergency medical technicians with an endorsement who are participating in the clinic is provided to the Health Division within 48 hours after the event begins; and
- (b) The person who holds the endorsement is under the direct supervision of the local health officer, or his designee, of the jurisdiction in which the immunization is administered.
- 3. As used in this section, "emergency" has the meaning ascribed to it in section 1 of Assembly Bill No. 349, chapter 341, Statutes of Nevada 2009, at page 1532.
- Sec. 4. 1. An endorsement issued pursuant to section 2 of this regulation expires on the date of expiration of the certificate as an intermediate emergency medical technician or an advanced emergency medical technician or on the date the certificate is suspended or revoked.

- 2. To renew such an endorsement, the person who holds the endorsement must, before his endorsement expires:
- (a) Submit an application and meet the requirements to renew his certificate as an intermediate emergency medical technician or an advanced emergency medical technician pursuant to NAC 450B.380 or 450B.420, as applicable;
- (b) Demonstrate, under the direct supervision of a person who is licensed as a physician or physician assistant pursuant to chapter 630 of NRS or as an advanced practitioner of nursing pursuant to chapter 632 of NRS, the administration of an injection of normal saline to a patient or volunteer or demonstrate, under the direct supervision of the local health officer or his designee, the administration of an injection of actual influenza vaccine; and
- (c) Submit an application to renew his endorsement to administer immunizations evidencing that he has met the requirements of this section.
- 3. The Health Division shall not renew an endorsement to administer immunizations unless the Health Division also renews the applicant's certificate as an intermediate emergency medical technician or an advanced emergency medical technician.
- 4. An applicant is not required to pay a fee to renew an endorsement pursuant to this section.