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EMS Board Members

The Division of EMS is proud to announced recently appointed and re-appointed EMS Board members.

Newly appointed members include:

Deanna Harris, RN/BSN/CEN/EMT-B, was nominated by the Ohio State Firefighters Association to serve as an EMT-Basic representative. Ms. Harris is a registered nurse for the Metro Health Medical Center and also serves as a Metro Life Flight nurse. She was previously employed as a Firefighter/EMT-B with the Medina Township Fire Department. She received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from the University of Akron.

Bruce Shade was nominated by the Ohio Ambulance and Medical Transportation Association as an association representative. Mr. Shade is employed with Community Care Ambulance as Director of Operations. He also serves as a part-time firefighter/paramedic for the City of Willoughby. Mr. Shade retired from the City of Cleveland as the Assistant Director of Public Safety.

Dr. Brian Springer, M.D., FACEP, was nominated by the American College of Emergency Physicians, Ohio Chapter, as a board certified physician active in the practice of emergency medicine. Dr. Springer is employed at Wright State

University's Department of Emergency Medicine directing their Division of Tactical Emergency Medicine program. He received his Bachelor's degree from the State University of New York (SUNY) and his medical degree from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center.

Current Board members who have been renominated by the organization they represent and reappointed by the Governor include:

James Davis, EMS Board Chair, was re-nominated by the Ohio Association of Professional Firefighters. Mr. Davis is a Battalion Chief for the City of Columbus Division of Fire. He also serves as a rotor-wing flight nurse with Medflight of Ohio/Grant Lifeflight and is an adjunct faculty member of the Columbus State Community College paramedic program.

Vickie Graymire was re-nominated by the Ohio Nurses Association. Ms. Graymire is the trauma program manager at Grant Medical Center. Prior to her role at Grant, she was the trauma program manager and clinical nurse specialist at St. Rita's Medical Center in Lima.

James Parrish was re-nominated by the Ohio Fire Chiefs' Association. Since 1992, he has been with the New

Philadelphia Fire Department where he was promoted to Fire Chief in 2008.

Each representative is appointed for a three-year term and serves without compensation.

The Division of EMS thanks the following departing Board members for their commitment and service to improving prehospital care to Ohioans:

Dr. Thomas Collins, MD, FACEP, represented the American College of Emergency Physicians, Ohio Chapter, since November 2004. He was instrumental in creating the Research committee tasked with reviewing relevant medical publications for development in EMS.

David Fiffick represented the Ohio Ambulance and Medical Transportation Association since 1998. Mr. Fiffick served as a dedicated member of the Air Medical Committee assisting in the creation of the Board's position paper, "Guidelines for the Operation of Air Medical Services."

James Holcomb represented the Ohio State Firefighters Association since December 2001. Mr. Holcomb has been the chair of the Board's Education committee and worked tirelessly on numerous projects for the advancement of EMS initial and continuing education.

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During the past year, Ohio achieved several significant accomplishments. Through open public forums, statewide surveys, and electronic communication of pertinent information via LISTSERV, every member of Ohio EMS and the stakeholders in our emergency care system have had the opportunity to voice their suggestions and concerns to the Ohio EMS Board and to the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Division of EMS. The EMS Board adopted national accreditation for Ohio EMS paramedic education programs after the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) Board elected to mandate this requirement for paramedic examination eligibility effective after December 31, 2012. In support of the completion of this task, the Division of EMS was able to acquire an extension from the NREMT that will give Ohio's paramedic education programs through December 31, 2017 to attain national accreditation.

On October 7, 2009 the expanded scope of practice was activated for the first time by the governor's declaration of an emergency that affected public health in response to the H1N1 influenza pandemic. Ohio EMS proved to be a vital adjunct to public health departments during the mass vaccination campaign. The Division of EMS has provided several education programs on their website, including the H1N1 Vaccinations by Ohio EMS Personnel training module, as a resource to the Ohio EMS community.

Senate Bill 58, which allows trained EMS providers under physician medical direction to withdraw blood for evidence collection, became effective on September 17, 2010. The open public forum to discuss the opportunities and challenges inherent with this new psychomotor skill included EMS providers, EMS medical directors, law enforcement personnel, and other stakeholders and launched a series of regional informational sessions to encourage dialogue.

The anticipated landscape for EMS in 2011 is exciting. The EMS Board's Education and Rules Committees are in the process of drafting new education and Ohio EMS scope of practice rules based upon the National EMS Scope of Practice Model. In comparison of this scope of practice with the current Ohio EMS scope of practice, there will be additional psychomotor skills added to all EMS provider levels with the most significant additions at the paramedic level. As the quality of EMS providers has improved

over the years through appropriate training, testing, and continuing education, we will see a similar path taken in the near future by EMS medical direction with the enhancement of qualifications for physicians serving in this role. The American Board of Medical Subspecialties approved EMS as a subspecialty board certification in September 2010. The American Board of Emergency Medicine anticipates that the first EMS board certification examination will be available to eligible physicians in 2013.

The 2010 American Heart Association Guidelines were released on October 18, 2010. The recommendation for the utilization of waveform capnography as an assessment tool for respiratory status and quality of CPR during and following cardiac arrest will improve patient care delivery and provide prompt detection of esophageal intubations. The EMS Board will continue to explore the networks of receiving healthcare facilities that can rapidly provide induction of post-arrest hypothermia, acute interventions for acute stroke and ST segment elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI), and trauma care. A 12-lead EKG training module will be posted on the Division of EMS website as an additional education resource that will facilitate the transport of acute STEMI patients to the appropriate facilities. Disaster preparedness initiatives continue through the implementation of a statewide patient tracking system and the development of state protocols and procedures for events involving scarce resources. In addition, prehospital and hospital pediatric preparedness is on the forefront.

The EMS Board and the Division of EMS are pleased to announce that Ohio will undergo a National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA) assessment in February 2011, our first federal assessment since 2001. The NHTSA assessment report will be a positive step for all of Ohio EMS as it will identify our deficiencies, accomplishments, and goals, and will serve as support for required legislation for the implementation of key EMS initiatives. The Strategic Planning Committee has also collected SWOT analyses (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats) from all of the EMS Board committees. These reports, along with the NHTSA recommendations will be used to establish a five-year plan for Ohio EMS. The delineation of critical benchmarks will be invaluablely beneficial as we continue to advance Ohio EMS into the next decade.

Carol A. Cunningham,
M.D., FACEP, FAAEM
State Medical Director

A Framework for Improving Ohio's Trauma System

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Injury is the leading cause of death for persons between the ages of 1 and 44 years of age and is a leading cause of death and disability among all age groups. Numerous studies have shown that for injured people, organized systems of trauma care save lives. An organized trauma system enables severely injured patients to get to the "right hospital, in the right manner, in the right amount of time." These three factors increase chances for trauma patient survival while decreasing chances for severe disabilities and death.

On July 27, 2000, legislation was signed into law creating Ohio's statewide trauma system. The final rules directing care of trauma patients, including prehospital triage became effective in November 2002.

After five years of operation, the EMS Board's Trauma Committee conducted an assessment of Ohio's trauma system in order to better understand and more effectively oversee the system. The tool used to carry out this assessment was the Model Trauma Systems Planning and Evaluation document (MTSPE), created by the Health Resources and Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The MTSPE is based on the public health model of evaluating health care systems. It provides 24 benchmarks and 113 indicators for evaluating a trauma system's ability to provide core functions and deliver essential services.

The assessment was performed using the knowledge and expertise of a wide array of stakeholders, including experts in injury prevention,

disaster planning, emergency medical services, acute care and rehabilitation. The results revealed, to no one's surprise, that Ohio's trauma system is a very basic system. However they provided detailed information on the system's specific strengths and weaknesses.

Armed with this detailed information, the Trauma Committee set out to create a long-term plan to improve the system to increase the quality of care being delivered to injured Ohioans. The resulting plan, titled "A Framework for Improving Ohio's Trauma System," took two years to develop and input was solicited from over 40 state-level organizations with an interest in injury care and prevention. The Framework divides the system into ten components: leadership, injury prevention, disaster planning, EMS, hospital care, rehabilitation, QI, data systems, professional education and public information, and special needs populations. Each component has strategies for improving the system by focusing on shoring up the most significant weaknesses and deficiencies that were found in the MTSPE assessment.

The Framework was officially approved and adopted by the EMS Board in October. Implementation of the various strategies in it is now beginning.

A copy of "A Framework for Improving Ohio's Trauma System" can be downloaded from the Trauma System section of ems.ohio.gov. Questions and comments can be directed to Tim Erskine, Chief of Trauma Systems and Research, at 614-387-1951 or terskine@dps.state.oh.us.



Division of EMS Receives Pro Board Accreditation

The Division of Emergency Medical Services recently received Pro Board accreditation of its Firefighter I and II fire testing and certification programs which offers an international standard of preparedness for Ohio's firefighters. The Division has the regulatory function of testing and certification of firefighters, fire instructors and fire safety inspectors.

National accreditation from Pro Board raises the bar for fire training in Ohio and will bring additional accountability and credibility to a fire testing program that leads in emergency preparedness.

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Pro Board noted in a recent site visit, that Ohio was the only state with an established electronic process specifically designed for fire testing and certification. Other states contract with an outside entity for Web-based testing and certification. There are currently seventy Ohio fire training institutions with the ability to perform Web-based testing.

The accreditation also gives Ohio, which once based its curriculum on state standards, the ability to now measure its effectiveness compared against other states and national curriculum.

The Pro Board is a non-profit corporation that accredits organizations that use the National Fire Protection Association's professional qualification standards. The Division of EMS as an entity that is accredited by Pro Board and will permit those who successfully complete the Ohio Firefighter I and Firefighter II training programs to apply for a Pro Board certificate.

Grant Applications Available February 1, 2011

The Ohio Emergency Medical Services Grant applications for Priorities 1, 2, 3, and 4 for 2011-2012 will be available February 1, 2011 on the Ohio EMS website.

The deadline for applications is 5:00 P.M. on Friday, April 1, 2011. Applications must be postmarked or hand delivered to the Ohio Division of EMS office by the date and time indicated to be considered for funding. The applications must be sent to Ohio Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Medical Services, 1970 West Broad Street, P.O. Box 182073, Columbus, OH 43218-2073 or completed electronically.

Priority 2 for Injury Prevention and Priority 3 & 4 for Trauma Rehabilitation and Procedures must use the hard copy application available at www.ems.ohio.gov in the grant section of the website.

There are two ways to apply for the Priority 1 training and equipment grant: 1.) Completing the hard copy application. 2.) Using the electronic application process with the electronic signature.

Applicants may complete the hard copy application at www.ems.ohio.gov and mail the completed application with an original signature to the Ohio Division of EMS.

Only Priority 1 training and equipment applications may be completed electronically at the Ohio EMS website. Go to the grants section. Select, "Already have username and password" and proceed to the electronic application. If you do not already have a username and password, you must obtain them through the EMS website. If you already have a password, remember to use your Ohio driver's license as your username. Applicants who use the electronic application process will be asked to sign the agreement and blanket certification utilizing an electronic signature process. No mailing of hard copies of the application, proof of eligibility, or original signature will be required for the electronic application.

Awards will be based upon the revenue generated from seatbelt fines available for this award year. Funds will be disbursed through a reimbursement process.

For more information regarding the Ohio EMS Grant process, visit the EMS grants section at www.ems.ohio.gov or call Grants Administration at 1-800-233-0785.

Division of EMS Hosts Fire Awards Ceremony

The Division of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and its Office of Fire Services held its first Ohio Fire Awards ceremony on Oct. 7 which highlighted the dedication and service of firefighters during National Fire Prevention Week.

“Each day in Ohio, firefighters save lives and perform countless noteworthy acts of caring, kindness and service to their community,” said Ohio Department of Public Safety Director, Thomas J. Stickrath. “These awards are a tribute to those individuals and organizations whose overall contributions go beyond their basic duties and responsibilities and who represent the finest traditions of the fire service.”

Currently, Ohio has the commitment and dedication of 50,000 firefighters and fire safety inspectors and more than 40,000 EMTs in Ohio who provide a fundamental community service every day.

Ceremonies were held in the Ohio Department of Transportation’s (ODOT) Auditorium located at 1980 W. Broad St., in Columbus.

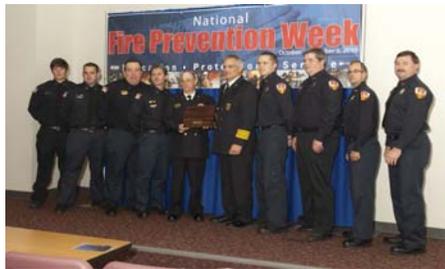
The Ohio Fire Awards recognize outstanding achievements in Ohio’s fire community and honor those whose accomplishments rise above the day-to-day excellence in fire training, education and safety.

2010 recipients are:

Fredericktown Community Fire District

received Ohio Volunteer Fire Department of the Year for their commitment and dedication to improving the level of training and skills of fire personnel by

ensuring a minimum of 48 hours of regularly scheduled trainings is available, as well as offering extra-curricular training to fire personnel. They also raised the quality and level of care to their citizens by implementing several safety programs. This has made a major impact in the fire education in their community and department.



Brian Gulat, Instructor at Miami Township Fire Department received Ohio Fire Service Instructor of the Year for his energy and commitment to education which is instrumental in development of a comprehensive training division that delivers high quality courses to both fire and EMS operations. He has also advanced the division in the area of public education.



Robert Smith,

Instructor at Cincinnati Fire Department received Ohio Fire Prevention Educator of the Year for his dedication and selfless spirit in the area of education. This is a tremendous asset to the Cincinnati Fire Department and to the members of the Cincinnati community.



Robert Reinholz, Fire Captain of Cleveland Heights Fire Department received the Ohio Fire Officer of the Year for being a “forward thinker” taking the lead and developing, and expanding the delivery of advanced life support into a cutting-edge service for the community long before it was required by the state. It is through his selfless dedication to his community and his staff that many lives have been saved, firefighters have been safer, and properties have been preserved.



Jerome Barhorst, Division Fire Chief at Shelby County Fire Department received Ohio Fire Educator Lifetime Achievement for being instrumental in obtaining a grant for a countywide accountability system and training all county fire departments and adjoining departments on its use. His accomplishments exemplify outstanding leadership, dedication and service to the Ohio fire service.



Ohio Division of EMS Provides Valuable Assistance to Ohio EMS Community

The following narrative serves as an opportunity to share with the certified EMS and Fire personnel in Ohio what lengths the Ohio EMS staff will go to daily to help Ohio providers do their jobs, and get and stay certified in Ohio.

This particular situation actually occurred at one of the Division's accredited training institutions and offers an inside perspective of the Division of EMS and how it is not just state government handing out certification cards or making rules. The Division of EMS is a group of dedicated people working together to help EMS and fire providers and citizens.

The following story is an example of the services available to Ohio EMS and fire students, accredited and approved training institutions, and certified firefighters and EMT's alike from the Ohio Division of EMS staff and is an exemplary example of the assistance given daily to Ohio's providers:

Hello,

I have been thinking about you a lot lately. We just had our Paramedics graduate this week. They all made it! During the graduation, the students thanked you publicly for your assistance this year. The 13 students all appreciated what you did to keep things running smoothly. I just wanted to thank you again for your help. Our new Program Coordinator has done a great job and will continue as our Coordinator.

As I write this on Saturday, the Paramedic graduates as well as a few others from outside the school are taking the Practical portion of the National Registry. There are stations set up in just about every room in the Adult Ed building. I am in the school to assist wherever necessary. The Medical Director is here observing as well. Our community has come together to support our Public Safety programs.

I hope things are well with you. Thank you again for your support!

Respectfully,
Director

The director and superintendent of this accredited training institution visited the staff at the Ohio Division of EMS in May, 2010, because they had dismissed their program director for some internal issues and found they had EMS program issues. Neither knew much about the EMS program and nothing about the law, rules, or requirements. They were ready to hand the money back to the students and cover their heads.

Division of EMS staff spent several hours discussing their options and the consequences of each option to the current students and the program. Of greatest risk was the paramedic program that had been in session nearly 5 months. At the end of the discussion it was agreed that Ohio EMS staff would come to the accredited training institution and speak with the class about their options and what each would entail: 1) a total refund 2) a partial refund and assistance in transfer to another accredited training program and 3) complete the class with this accredited training program, repeat and test on many sections, but receive new instructors, FISDAP membership, and tutors.

Before staff could speak with the class in May, the medical director had resigned. Staff spent much of the day and into the evening negotiating with the accredited training program and the prospective medical director who would not accept the job until he had spoken with the Ohio EMS staff. In the end the EMS medical director accepted the position and one of his requirements was that the school had to provide paid clinical preceptors for the medic students. This was a huge win-win for everyone.

The Ohio EMS staff spoke with the students, the medical director came over that same evening and spoke with the students and as you have read above, all 13 stayed, finished the class, their NREMT practical exam and now are ready to sit for the written exam.

This is an example of 13 soon-to-be paramedics that were saved by staff interventions and who knows how many lives these soon-to-be paramedics will touch or save thanks to the extra efforts of the EMS staff and individual caring and dedication to their job.

The Ohio EMS Division and its staff cares about the Fire and EMS community in Ohio and will do everything legally possible to assist Ohio EMS and Fire providers in their chosen profession. We are here to help.

Disciplinary Actions

EMS Disciplinary Actions

August

Donald R. Kinsel, EMS Applicant Number 179892

Violation: Felony conviction, Attempted Sexual Battery

Sanction: Denial of application for certificate to practice

Mark E. Humphrey, EMS Certificate Number 26779

Violation: Felony convictions, Abduction and Improperly Handling Firearms in a Motor Vehicle; Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence

Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Kurt A. Stuhlemmer, EMS Certificate Number 75338

Violation: Random audit issues

Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Justin J. Bowden, EMS Applicant Number 181691

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Theft

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Mark J. Williams, EMS Applicant Number 182043

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Disorderly Conduct

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Michael R. Bender, EMS Applicant Number 182504

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Party to a Crime-Theft and Theft

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, and must disclose consent

agreement to employer

James B. Knick, EMS Certificate Number 68276

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Disorderly Conduct

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Zachary A. Graham, EMS Applicant Number 182040

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Nathan C. Kamps, EMS Certificate Number 134654

Violation: Practiced outside scope of practice

Sanction: Written reprimand, six (6) months suspension—stayed, one (1) year probation, must disclose consent agreement to employer, and must obtain written authorization to practice from medical director and chief

Scott A. Wallace, EMS Certificate Number 79628

Violation: Random audit issues

Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Michael L. Carr, EMS Certificate Number 29388

Violation: Random audit issues

Sanction: Revocation of certificates to practice and teach

Kenneth L. Carpenter, EMS Applicant Number 181857

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Theft

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120

days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Scott D. Seiler, EMS Certificate Number 124734

Violation: Random audit issues

Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Christina M. Tremaine, EMS Certificate Number 98293

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Theft

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, another at renewal, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Deborah S. Hotaling, EMS Certificate Number 76541

Violation: Random audit issues

Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Donald A. Taylor, EMS Certificate Number 79983

Violation: Random audit issues

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal

Stephen L. Asmus, EMS Certificate Number 92541

Violation: Random audit issues

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal

Michael R. Ohl, EMS Applicant Number 183485

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Petty Theft and Tampering with Coin Machine

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

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October

J. Thomas Falor, EMS Certificate Number 14935

Violation: Random audit issues; Felony convictions, Possession of Criminal Tools, Money Laundering, two (2) counts, and Theft; Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Gambling and Operating a Gambling House

Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Kristen M. Sheehy, EMS Applicant Number 180838

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Attempted Forgery

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, another at renewal, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Christopher M. Dearth, EMS Applicant Number 183633

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Disorderly Conduct

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Kelly J. Merritt, EMS Applicant Number 164360

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Child Endangering, Child Endangering

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Jeffrey D. Mann, EMS Certificate Number 74631

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Theft

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian

Background Check within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Matthew J. Dunn, EMS Certificate Number 114374

Violation: Random audit issues

Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Monica A. Greenwell, EMS Applicant Number 151341

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Petty Theft, Escape, Resisting Arrest

Sanction: Written reprimand, denial—stayed, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, another in three (3) years, must complete drug/alcohol treatment program, must successfully complete anger management course within nine (9) months, three (3) year probation, random drug/alcohol screenings during probation, must notify Division of any violations within ten (10) days, must disclose consent agreement to employer, and must obtain written authorization to practice from medical director prior to practicing and throughout probation

Michael J. Eichert, EMS Certificate Number 93748

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Disorderly Conduct

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, must successfully complete anger management course within nine (9) months, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Phoenix S. DeYoung, EMS Applicant Number 184237

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Battery Against a Household Member

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, and must disclose consent

agreement to employer

Traci L. Tatman, EMS Certificate Number 9411

Violation: Random audit issues

Sanction: Written reprimand, \$250 disciplinary fine, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal

Nathan J. Wright, EMS Certificate Number 125128

Violation: Random audit issues

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal

R. Todd Stitt, EMS Certificate Number 20140

Violation: Random audit issues

Sanction: Written reprimand, \$250 disciplinary fine, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal

Amanda M. Holloway, EMS Applicant Number 184447

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, must successfully complete anger management course within nine (9) months, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Rocky L. Dryden, EMS Certificate Number 26749

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, must successfully complete anger management course within nine (9) months, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Fire Disciplinary Actions

August

Mark E. Humphrey, Fire Certificate Number 26779

Violation: Felony convictions, Abduction and Improperly Handling Firearms in a Motor Vehicle; Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence

Sanction: Revocation of certificates of fire service training

John R. Howell, Jr., Fire Applicant Number 177477

Violation: Failed to meet certification requirements

Sanction: Denial of application for a certificate of fire service training

Justin R. McKinniss, Fire Applicant Number 179338

Violation: Felony conviction, Theft; Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Obstructing Official Business and Petty Theft

Sanction: Denial of application for a certificate of fire service training

Brian E. Pomas, Fire Applicant Number 182122

Violation: Felony convictions, Breaking and Entering, Theft, four (4) counts; Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Theft

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, another at renewal, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

James B. Knick, Fire Certificate Number 68276

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral

turpitude conviction, Disorderly Conduct
Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Michael R. Bender, Fire Applicant Number 182504

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Party to a Crime-Theft and Theft

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Zachary A. Graham, Fire Applicant Number 182040

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Justin J. Bowden, Fire Applicant Number 181691

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Theft

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

October

Stephen R. Persinger, Jr., Fire Certificate Number 140667

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, must successfully complete anger management course within nine (9) months, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

John A. Lehart, Fire Applicant Number 183585

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Theft

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check prior to issuance/within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Jeffrey D. Mann, Fire Certificate Number 74631

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Theft

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

Rocky L. Dryden, Fire Certificate Number 26749

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days, must successfully complete anger management course within nine (9) months, and must disclose consent agreement to employer

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