

West Michigan Regional MCC

System Protocol

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Purpose: To further expound upon or define state protocol as implemented among the West Michigan Regional Medical Control Consortium (WMRMCC) partner Medical Control Authorities

Adopting MCAs will have an "X" under their MCA name. If no "X" is present, the MCA has not approved or adopted the protocol.

Allegan	Barry	Clare	Ionia	Isabella	Kent	Mason
X			X		X	X
Montcalm	Muskegon	N. Central	Newaygo	Oceana	Ottawa	
X	X	X	X	X	X	

A. The WMRMCC is adopting the state MCA Privileges Policy with the following changes:

1. Item III. Optional Training standards, "Prehospital Trauma Certification" includes only ITLS and PHTLS as approved trauma training programs.
 - a. Trauma training programs are optional, by MCA, for BLS level providers
 - b. Trauma training programs are required for Specialist and Advanced level providers
2. Successful completion of agency run Field Training Program is required of all levels.
3. Attendance at any mandatory system in-service or skills stations is required of all levels.
4. MCA's may opt to require practical skills evaluation as an agency or provider standard
5. For pediatric credential currency, Emergency Pediatric Care (EPC) is permitted in addition to PALS and PEPP.

B. The WMRMCC is adding the following standards:

1. Provisional Status
 - a. The minimum standard for an individual to be granted provisional MCA privileges is possession of a current and valid State of Michigan EMS license and MCA approval. The MCA may grant provisional privileges to an individual for 120 days, during which time the requisite certifications must be obtained. The Medical Director may extend provisional status in extenuating circumstances.
 - b. The MCA reserves the right to withhold the offer of MCA privileges when there is valid cause, unresolved PSRO or legal issues within another MCA or state, or if there are any prior documented concerns within that MCA.
 - c. Agencies must notify the MCA of newly hired EMS providers through the MCA required mechanism. Providers may not provide patient care until approval from the MCA is received at the agency.
 - d. Either agencies shall provide, or the individual provider shall permit, a background check to include, at minimum, a check of the sexual offender registry and a criminal background. Positive results must be provided to the MCA and explicit approval must be received prior to the individual having contact with patients.
 - e. While in a provisional status, providers are only permitted to participate in patient care with direct supervision by a field training officer of equal or higher licensure, agency supervisor or, with prior medical director approval, an approved senior level provider.

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- f. Failure of an individual in provisional status to adhere to protocols, not possessing a valid Michigan EMS license, adverse criminal history, or misconduct while in provisional status may result in revocation of the provisional status.
 - g. Failure of an agency to properly supervise an individual with provisional status may result in denial of provisional status for its employees thereafter.
2. Maintaining MCA Privileges
- a. Providers in the MCA have the individual responsibility to maintain currency of all required credentials.
 - b. Upon expiration of a required license or credential, the individual immediately loses privileges to practice within the MCA. Failure to maintain credentials may also result in further suspension of privileges by the MCA. MCA's may, at their discretion, offer extension tests for credentials.
 - c. Practicing without required credentials is considered to be a level 1 infraction.
 - d. Grace periods for credentials, even if offered by the credential issuing agency, are not considered to be valid within the MCA. The listed expiration date is considered to be a hard date.
 - e. Providers will have no more than 90 days, following an expiration, to become compliant; thereafter the individual will need to reapply for MCA privileges.
 - f. MCA privileges will lapse if an individual provider is not actively practicing within the MCA for 6 consecutive months.