

109-2-10a. Air safety program and informational publication

(a) Each air ambulance service operator shall have an air safety training program for all air medical personnel. The program shall include the following:

(1) air medical and altitude physiology;

(2) aircraft orientation, including specific capabilities, limitations, and safety measures for each aircraft used;

(3) depressurization procedures for fixed-wing aircraft;

(4) safety in and around the aircraft, including FAA rules and regulations pertinent to safety for all air medical personnel, patients, and lay individuals;

(5) rescue and survival techniques appropriate to the terrain and the conditions under which the air ambulance service operates;

(6) hazardous scene recognition and response for rotorwing aircraft;

(7) aircraft evacuation procedures, including rapid loading and unloading of patients;

(8) refueling procedures for normal and emergency situations; and

(9) in-flight emergencies and emergency landing procedures.

(b) Each air ambulance service operator shall maintain documentation demonstrating the initial completion and annual review of the air safety training program for all air medical personnel, and shall provide this documentation to the board on request.

(c) Each air ambulance service operator shall provide upon request an informational publication which promotes the proper use of air medical transport to all ground-based

ambulance services, law enforcement agencies, and hospitals which use the air ambulance service. Each publication shall address the following topics:

(1) availability, accessibility, and scope of care of the air ambulance service;

(2) capabilities of air medical personnel and patient care modalities afforded by the air ambulance service;

(3) patient preparation before air medical transport;

(4) landing zone designation and preparation;

(5) communication and coordination between air and ground medical personnel; and

(6) safe approach and conduct around the aircraft. (Authorized by _____: implementing K.S.A. _____; effective P-_____.)