

**STATE OF KANSAS
BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
NOTICE OF HEARING ON AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS**

A public hearing will be conducted at 10 a.m. Monday, December 17th, 2018 in Room 1031 of the Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson, Topeka, Kansas 66612 to consider the revision of existing administrative regulations.

Publication of this notice of the public hearing shall open the period of public comment for submission of written public comments on the proposed amendments to K.A.R. 109-5-1, K.A.R. 109-8-1, K.A.R. 109-8-2 and K.A.R. 109-11-6a. All interested parties may submit written comments to the Kansas Board of Emergency Medical Services, Room 1031, Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson, Topeka, Kansas 66612, or by email to carman.m.allen@ks.gov, prior to the scheduled meeting date. During the hearing, interested parties shall be allotted up to five minutes for oral presentations in reference to adoption of the proposed regulatory changes.

Individuals with disabilities may request accommodation to participate in the public hearing and to receive copies of the proposed regulations and economic impact statements in an accessible format. Requests for accommodation shall be received by the Board of Emergency Medical Services at least five business days prior to the hearing date by contacting Suzette Smith at 785-296-7296. Handicapped parking is located on Jackson, in front of the building, and on 9th Street, to the north of the Landon State Office Building.

These regulations are proposed for permanent revision. A summary of the proposed changes follows:

K.A.R. 109-5-1. Continuing education; requested changes are to redefine how continuing education credit shall be awarded, to add a course issued by another state's emergency medical services regulatory or accrediting body as an acceptable certificate of attendance or completion, and to add programs or courses approved by another state's emergency medical service regulatory or accrediting body as presumptively approved.

These changes will result in some Kansas certificate holders not having to complete a retroactive approval process to obtain credit for training completed in other states. There are no anticipated costs to the agency, nor any affect to businesses.

K.A.R. 109-8-1. Examination; is revised to change from a vendor contracted skills exam to a psychomotor skills exam approved by the board.

There are no anticipated costs to the agency, nor any affect to businesses.

K.A.R. 109-8-2. Scheduling examinations for certification; is revised to change from a vendor contracted skills exam to a psychomotor skills exam approved by the board and clean up the reexamination process for candidates unsuccessful on their initial attempt.

There is no anticipated costs to the agency, nor any affect to businesses.

K.A.R. 109-11-6a. Paramedic course approval; is revised to remove an incorrect reference to K.S.A. 65-6119, all remaining changes either incorporate language that mimic requirements of the committee on accreditation of educational programs for emergency medical services professions or remove requirements that are redundant due to the monitoring of the accrediting body.

There are no anticipated costs to the agency. It is anticipated that the seven educational institutions within the State and any educational institutions seeking emergency medical services program accreditation may realize savings associated with these changes due to current redundant requirements which require vastly different reporting.

Copies of the complete regulations and the complete economic impact statements may be obtained from the Board of Emergency Medical Services at the contact information above or can be accessed at www.ksbems.org.