

AMENDED PUBLIC NOTICE #2

This notice is given by Clay Stamp, Chairman of the Emergency Medical Services Board and Dr. Theodore Delbridge, Executive Director of the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems (MIEMSS), acting pursuant to the Proclamation of Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. (the "Governor") dated March 5, 2020 proclaiming a state of emergency and a catastrophic health emergency related to COVID-19, as it may be amended or renewed from time to time, and the Order of the Governor dated March 19, 2020 entitled "Augmenting the Emergency Medical Services Workforce", as it may be amended from time to time, after finding that the action(s) described herein will not endanger the public health, welfare, or safety, and further that these actions will augment the emergency medical services workforce; and improve the response to the state of emergency and catastrophic health emergency.

Clinical Externs:

- a. The definitions in COMAR 30.03.01.01B are modified to include a definition for "Clinical Extern" which shall mean a health sciences student who has been credentialed by MIEMSS to augment the clinical workforce and will function under the supervision of a Maryland licensed health professional, and for "Health Sciences Student" which shall mean a student at an accredited school of nursing, medicine or respiratory therapy.
- b. The procedures in COMAR 30.02.02.06 are modified to allow provisional Clinical Extern certificates to be issued to certain health sciences students who have met certain educational criteria to allow them to function as Clinical Externs under the supervision of Maryland licensed health professionals in order to supplement the health care workforce in hospitals and auxiliary treatment sites. The provisional certificate shall be valid for one year after the state of emergency has been terminated and the proclamation of the catastrophic health emergency has been rescinded.
- c. COMAR 30.02.03.01B is modified to add "C. Clinical externs shall function under the direct supervision of a licensed health professional and provide care in accordance with their training and to the extent their supervisor determines their competency."

Any effect of Education Article Section 13-516 and the implementing regulations in COMAR 30.02 that is inconsistent with the foregoing is temporarily suspended.

This Notice is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until the state of emergency has been terminated and the proclamation of the catastrophic health emergency has been rescinded.

Date: June 4, 2021

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