

# Summary for Emergency EMS Rules

## **Section IV. Ground Ambulance Service Licensure Classification and General Standards C. 1. Tiered Response**

Removal of the emergency medical dispatcher certification requirement to allow for services to use internal or outsourced dispatchers to screen non-emergency calls and prioritize emergencies according to Department approved process/protocol. This will help ambulance services use the right level of resources to respond to emergencies.

Removal of all tiered response provisions a.-f.

## **Section V. Permitting of Ground Emergency Vehicles B. 10. Temporary upgrades and downgrades**

Allow for temporary upgrades and downgrades as needed. Removed the requirement for upgrades and downgrades to be for mechanical purposes only and allow for staffing purposes.

## **Section V. Permitting of Ground Emergency Vehicles C. 1. Paramedic Permitted Ambulance Staffing**

Allow for Emergency Vehicle Operators (EVOs) to drive paramedic ambulances for scheduled transfers only. These individuals have emergency vehicle operation training and some first aid training. This will free up an EMT for other staffing needs and not impact patient care.