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## **Basic Life Support (BLS) and Advanced Life Support (ALS) Representatives to the Medical Direction and Practices Board (MDPB)**

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In September 2019, Public Law 370 expanded the MDPB to include two EMS Provider positions. These positions are: a) a licensed basic provider [EMR, EMT or AEMT], and b) a licensed advanced life support provider [Paramedic]. Applications for these positions will be reviewed by the MDPB. Appropriate candidates will then be interviewed by the MDPB and recommendations will be submitted to the Board of EMS. The persons in these positions serve an indefinite term at the discretion of the Board of EMS.

### **Qualifications:**

1. Licensed Maine EMS provider, in good standing, with a minimum of five years active, prehospital provider experience at the level of the position applied for (basic provider or advanced life support provider).
2. Currently practicing with a Maine-licensed EMS service.
3. Experience in pre-hospital emergency medical treatment of patients who are acutely ill or injured.
4. Possesses current knowledge of the design and operation of the state and local EMS systems in Maine.
5. Possesses good interpersonal and consensus building skills and the ability to work as a member of a team.
6. Actively involved in the quality improvement review and critique of prehospital care.
7. Experienced in EMS systems including medical dispatch, communications, education, and interaction with medical directors and hospital providers.

### **Responsibilities:**

1. To serve as a resource and subject matter expert regarding the impact and application of emergency medical treatments in the prehospital environment.
2. To be an advocate for prehospital EMS providers.
3. To participate in the creation, development, implementation, dissemination and maintenance of statewide EMS Protocols.
4. To act as a liaison between the EMS community and the MDPB.
5. To attend Maine EMS meetings, including, but not limited to, Medical Direction and Practices Board (MDPB) meetings. The MDPB meetings occur regularly on the third

6. Wednesday of each month and from 09:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Additionally, the MDPB commonly creates subcommittees as special projects or topics arise. Occasionally, MDPB members are invited or asked to participate in these subcommittees. These meetings are variable, but often occur either before or after the regularly scheduled MDPB meetings. All participatory members are expected to arrive at the MDPB, and other meetings, prepared to discuss and deliberate on the day's agenda items.
7. To perform outreach to EMS services with the Maine EMS staff, State Medical Director, Associate State Medical Director, Regional Medical Directors, and Service Medical Directors, when necessary.
8. To utilize various methods of communicating with similarly licensed providers and, in coordination with Maine EMS and the State EMS Medical Directors, act as a spokesperson for the MDPB, as necessary.
9. To participate in MDPB-sanctioned Disaster and Emergency Preparedness planning, when appropriate.
10. It is expected that these positions will require an estimated 10 hours per month, between meetings and preparation work. There will be instances in which more time is required.

Application Process:

1. Interested candidates should submit the following to J. Sam Hurley, Director, Maine EMS:
  - a. Cover letter
  - b. Curriculum Vitae (CV)
2. **Deadline for application submission: no later than 14 Feb 2020 by 1700 hrs**
3. All applications for each position will be reviewed by Maine EMS and the State Medical Directors.
4. A pool of candidates will be selected for an interview by the Medical Direction and Practices Board
5. Interviews will be conducted by the Medical Direction and Practices Board and recommendations will be submitted to the Board of EMS for final approval.
6. Approximate time of process completion is six weeks from closure of application period and *may be affected by the number of applicants.*