

IDAPA 16 - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE

16.02.03 - EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

DOCKET NO. 16-0203-1101

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES - NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Sections 67-5220(1) and 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Section 56-1023, Idaho Code.

MEETING SCHEDULE: A public meeting on the negotiated rulemaking will be held as follows:

Thursday, March 31, 2011, at 1:30 p.m.

**IDAHO EMS BUREAU
Conference Room, Ste. B-25
650 W. State Street
Boise, ID 83702**

The meeting site will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the meeting, to the agency address below.

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Persons wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking may do any of the following:

1. Attend the negotiated rulemaking meeting and participate in the negotiation process;
2. Provide oral or written recommendations, or both, at the negotiated rulemaking meeting;
3. Submit written recommendations and comments to the address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the rulemaking:

This chapter of rules is being revised, updated, and reorganized into several new chapters of rules. The Department held extensive informal negotiated rulemaking with stakeholders throughout the state starting in May 2009. Below is a list of those stakeholders who have been working with the Department on these rules. The Department has decided to move forward with the rules in which a consensus on the major issues were reached. Those rules will be divided into several new chapters. The current chapter, IDAPA 16.02.03, will be maintained while further negotiated rulemaking is conducted on the remaining rules regarding EMS agency licensure. This public meeting will allow stakeholders to provide their input concerning the rules that are being revised, updated, and reorganized into new chapters.

PREVIOUS NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING: Pursuant to Section 67-5220, Idaho Code, informal negotiated rulemaking was conducted with the following stakeholder groups: Association of Idaho Cities, Idaho Air Medical Services, Idaho Association of Counties, Idaho Commission on Aging, Idaho EMS Chiefs Association, Idaho Fire Chiefs Association, Idaho Hospital Association, Idaho Sheriffs Association, National Ski Patrol, Private EMS Services, Professional Fire Fighters of Idaho, Regional EMS Associations, Seasonal/Industrial EMS Services, Tribal EMS, and Volunteer EMS. The rules were also presented for review by the EMS Physician Commission and the EMS Advisory Committee. The most recent statewide round of twelve "town hall meetings" was conducted from May 17 through June 17, 2010.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the negotiated rulemaking, contact Wayne Denny at (208) 334-4000, ext. 2085. A draft of the rules will be available online two weeks prior to the public meeting (March 17th) at www.idahoems.org.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this negotiated rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before Thursday, April 7, 2011.

DATED this 17th day of February, 2011.

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