

Office of the Governor

STATE OF WYOMING EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE ORDER

Order 2014-3

(Replaces Executive Order 1998-7)

WYOMING ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND TRAUMA

WHEREAS, Executive Order 1998-7 requires modification, and will therefore be rescinded and replaced by this new Executive Order 2014-3; and

WHEREAS, Wyoming recognizes the importance of the fundamental concept of the Emergency Medical Services Act of 1973, et seq., to provide assistance and encouragement for the development of comprehensive area-wide emergency medical systems; and

WHEREAS, W.S. § 33-36-101 et seq., the Wyoming Emergency Medical Services Act of 1977 provides for ambulance business licensure and establishes the emergency medical services sustainability trust account; and

WHEREAS W. S. § 35-1-801 et seq. directs the Wyoming Department of Health to develop a comprehensive emergency medical services and trauma system including the designation of trauma areas and trauma system hospitals and identification of causes of trauma in Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Medical Services, Division of Public Health, is charged with implementing W.S. § 33-36-115 by managing assessment grants made from the emergency medical services sustainability trust account and W.S. § 35-1-801 et seq. by developing Wyoming's comprehensive emergency medical services and trauma system; and

WHEREAS, the provision of emergency medical services and trauma system is important in our rural state and these constitute dynamic and rapidly evolving clinical areas requiring particular expertise; and

WHEREAS, a committee of those interested or involved in the field of EMS can continue to greatly assist the Office of Emergency Medical Services and others with respect to Wyoming's comprehensive emergency medical services and trauma system.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Wyoming, I, Matthew H. Mead, Governor of the State of Wyoming, do hereby order as follows:

Executive Order 1998-7, dated November 16, 1998, is rescinded.

Section 1. Name and Purpose.

- (a) The Wyoming Advisory Committee on Emergency Medical Services is reaffirmed and renamed the Wyoming Advisory Committee on Emergency Medical Services and Trauma (hereinafter, "Committee").
- (b) The Committee is under the sponsorship of the Wyoming Department of Health, Public Health Division, Office of Emergency Medical Services for the purpose of assisting the efforts of various federal, state, and local agencies, private industry, and interested citizens toward the continued development and implementation of an integrated, statewide program for the comprehensive emergency medical services and trauma system.
- (c) The Committee shall promote the planning and development of activities which will result in the delivery of the highest possible standard of medical care to victims of trauma and illness in Wyoming.

Section 2. Duties. The Committee is authorized to perform, but is not limited to, the following duties and functions:

- (a) Act in an advisory capacity to the Department of Health's Office of Emergency Medical Services on all matters related to emergency medical services programs and trauma system development.
- (b) Make recommendations regarding the development and implementation of the statewide comprehensive emergency medical services and trauma programs to the Governor.
- (c) Determine statewide emergency medical services' needs and provide a broad basis for responsibility and policy decisions.
- (d) Make recommendations concerning guidelines and standards for the delivery of emergency medical care and trauma, which recognize and uphold the concepts of the Emergency Medical Services Act of 1973 and the Wyoming Medical Services Act of 1977.
- (e) Coordinate the State's participation in federally supported programs related to emergency medical services and trauma systems and make recommendations as to the use of funds received under such programs.

Section 3. Membership.

- (a) Members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Governor and serve at his pleasure.
- (b) Appointees shall have a demonstrated interest or involvement in emergency medical care or trauma system activities.
- (c) A chairman and vice-chairman shall be elected by the membership of the Committee in accordance with by-laws.
- (d) The Committee shall be composed as follows:
 - 1. A physician licensed to practice medicine and practicing family medicine in Wyoming.
 - 2. A physician licensed to practice medicine and practicing emergency medicine in Wyoming.
 - 3. A physician licensed to practice medicine and practicing pediatric medicine in Wyoming.
 - 4. A surgeon licensed to practice medicine with experience performing surgical intervention in the care of trauma victims in Wyoming.
 - 5. A nurse licensed to practice and practicing in an emergency room or acute care setting in Wyoming.
 - 6. An emergency medical technician (EMT) certified in Wyoming.
 - 7. An ambulance service director with an active Wyoming ambulance business license. in Wyoming
 - 8. A representative from the Wyoming Hospital Association.
 - 9. A representative from the Wyoming Medical Society.
- (e) Terms are limited to three years. Terms may be staggered as determined by a majority of members. A member who ceases to represent the discipline or organization he or she was appointed to represent shall be replaced at the recommendation of the Office of Emergency Medical Services.

Section 4: The Wyoming Department of Health, Public Health Division, Office of Emergency Medical Services is hereby designated as the official administrative and operational agency for coordination, planning, implementation, and evaluation of Wyoming's Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System.

This Executive Order is effective May 22 2014.

Given under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Wyoming this 22 day of May, 2014.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matthew H. Mead", is written over a horizontal line.

Matthew H. Mead
Governor