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Disclaimer. This document is an attempt to coalesce the discussions around this subject over the past few legislative subcommittee meetings.

19 CSR 30-40..... Patient transfer of care report and transport documents submission to hospital requirements.

Purpose: This rule establishes the requirements of information flow during patient transfer of care between EMRAs and ambulance services, between ambulance services and between ambulance services and Receiving Health Care Facilities. In addition, it establishes the requirements for submission of completed patient transport records to Receiving Health Care Facilities from ground and air ambulance services.

1. As used in this rule, the following terms shall have the specified meaning.

(A). Receiving Health Care Facilities. Hospitals licensed by the Department of Health and Senior Services that are receiving a patient from ambulance services or are transferring a patient via ambulance services to a hospital for necessary health care services not available at the originating hospital.

(B). Ambulance Services. Refers to both Ground and Air Ambulance services.

(C). Transport documents. Medical records associated with the care and treatment of a patient while in the care of ambulance services or EMRA's.

2. Receiving Health Care Facilities, Ground and Air Ambulances and EMRAs shall establish procedures for the communication of information relating to the care of a patient at the time the transfer of care between health care providers occurs. This communication may be in the form of verbal communication, written communication or electronic communication. The Regional EMS Committees ~~may~~ **should** participate in the establishment of patient transfer of care procedures between health care providers within the EMS Region.

3. The information contained in the procedures established for the patient transfer of care shall include at a minimum;

A. The circumstances leading to the need for ~~emergent or urgent~~ health care services; and

B. The signs and symptoms associated with the need for ~~emergent or urgent~~ health care services; and

C. A summary of treatments and procedures performed to address the need for ~~emergent or urgent~~ health care services; and

D. Any changes in the patient's condition or responses to the treatments and procedures performed to address the need for ~~emergent or urgent~~ health care services; and

E. Any communicable diseases that are known to be carried by the patient.

4. Transport documents created by the ambulance service in conjunction with the assessment, care, and treatment of a patient being transported to a receiving medical facility ~~shall be remitted~~ **shall be made available** to the receiving medical facility within 24 hours of the delivery of the patient.