




Bureau of EMS, Trauma & Preparedness Division of EMS and Trauma Policies & Procedures		EMS-202
Subject: EMS Life Support Agency - Operating at an Increased or Decreased Level of Service (Formerly the Kievela Bill)		
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PURPOSE:


This policy describes how and the special circumstances under which a limited ambulance operation may operate at a decreased level of licensure and a basic ambulance operation may operate at an increased level of licensure.

DEFINITIONS:

Department: Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of EMS, Trauma and Preparedness, Division of EMS and Trauma.

POLICY:

1. In accordance with Section 333.20921a(1), a limited ambulance operation may have an ambulance available at less than the limited level of licensure if the following criteria are met:
 - a. The primary service area is in a county with a population of 10,000 or less;
 - b. The primary service area has a population density of fewer than 7 people per square mile;
 - c. The Medical Control Authority under which the life support agency operates authorizes the lesser availability;
 - d. The life support agency has department approved local medical control authority protocols in place.
2. In accordance with Section 333.20921a(2), a basic ambulance operation may operate at a limited ambulance operation level of licensure when staffed with an Advanced EMT (Specialist) if the following criteria are met:
 - a. The primary service area is in a county with a population of 10,000 or less;
 - b. The primary service area has a population density of fewer than 7 people per square mile;
 - c. The basic ambulance is equipped at the greater licensure level;
 - d. The Medical Control Authority under which the life support agency operates authorizes the conditional increased level of licensure;

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- e. The life support agency has department approved local medical control authority protocols in place.

PROCEDURE:

1. The life support agency must submit a completed life support agency application and the required fee.
2. The life support agency must contact the Department EMS Agency Licensing Coordinator by phone to let them know.
3. The Department EMS Agency Licensing Coordinator will review the application for completeness and compliance with all the above requirements. Final authorization will be given to the life support agency if it is in compliance with all requirements.
4. If the application is for an increased level of licensure, a vehicle inspection will be ordered.
5. The Department will provide a letter of approval to the life support agency and the Medical Control Authority.
6. A life support agency that operates under this section must notify the department if the MCA rescinds their authorization or no longer meets the criteria described in 333.20921(a).
7. The Department will maintain documentation for each life support agency operating under this section.
8. The life support agency must maintain their current permanent license and renew the license annually.

REFERENCE:

Public Health Code (Act 368 of 1978 as amended, Section 333.20921(a))