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As Director of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services ("Department"), pursuant to Executive Order 20-12, I am vested with the authority to temporarily waive or suspend the operation of any statutory requirement or administrative rule, upon approval of the Office of the Governor. After consultation with and receiving approval from the Office of the Governor, I am hereby waiving the following laws in order to assist the state, and its citizens prepare and respond to COVID-19 until December 30, 2020, unless otherwise modified by the Department.

## Waivers relating to the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services EMT-Paramedic Training Entities

19 CSR 30-40.331(2)(L)3 shall be waived to the extent that EMT-Paramedic students are required to complete 250 clinical hours in a healthcare facility as part of the minimum EMT-Paramedic course requirements. The EMT-Paramedic training programs, specifically the medical directors and program directors, shall instead ensure entry-level competence of EMT-Paramedic students that is consistent with the guidelines issued by the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for EMS Professionals (CoAEMSP) in lieu of the EMT-Paramedic students completing 250 clinical hours in a healthcare facility. This waiver shall apply only to current EMT-Paramedic students as of the date of the waiver who have completed all didactic portions of the program and have met all required competencies.

19 CSR 30-40.331(2)(L)1 shall be waived to the extent that EMT-Paramedic students are required to complete 250 hours of clinical experience in a clinical setting with a Missouri licensed ambulance service as part of the minimum EMT-Paramedic course requirements. The EMT-Paramedic training programs, specifically the medical directors and program directors, shall instead ensure entry-level competence of EMT-Paramedic students that is consistent with the guidelines issued by the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for EMS Professionals (CoAEMSP) in lieu of the EMT-Paramedic students completing 250 hours of clinical experience in a clinical setting with a Missouri licensed ambulance service. This waiver shall apply only to current EMT-Paramedic students as of the date of the waiver who have completed all didactic portions of the program and have met all required competencies.

19 CSR 30-40.800(2)(A)3 shall be waived to the extent that applicants for the EMT-CP certification are required to complete at least forty (40) hours of clinical experience in a clinical setting. The medical directors for community paramedic programs shall instead ensure entry-level competence of the EMT-CP applicants by using different evaluation methods suitable to the EMT-CP certification in lieu of the EMT-CP completing at least forty (40) hours of clinical experience in a clinical setting. This waiver shall apply only to current students of community paramedic programs as of the date of the waiver who have completed all didactic portions of the program and have met all required competencies.

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