NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Intent to Adopt Regulations (LCB File No. R102-18)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Board of Health will hold a public hearing to consider amendments to Chapter 450B of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC), Emergency Medical Services. This public hearing is to be held in conjunction with the State Board of Health meeting on September 7, 2018. The NAC 450B regulation changes will be heard in the order placed on the State Board of Health agenda.

The State Board of Health will be conducted via videoconference beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, September 7, 2018 at the following locations:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health	Southern Nevada Health District
4150 Technology Way Room #303	Red Rock Conference Room
Carson City, NV 89706	280 S Decatur Blvd
	Las Vegas, NV 89107

The proposed regulations to NAC 450B include the following: The proposed addition/change of regulations in LCB File No. R102-18 include provisions for:

- Add new regulations relating to emergency medical services; authorizing a holder of a license to operate a hospital to obtain a service community paramedicine endorsement; expanding the period in which an applicant for a license as an attendant or firefighter must be found to have met certain physical and mental criteria; revising the criteria for determining the medical facility to which an injured patient will be transported; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.
- 1. Anticipated effects on the business which NAC 450B regulates:
 - A. Adverse: No adverse effects are anticipated.
 - B. *Beneficial:* The positive effects of increased availability of community paramedicine services are anticipated to ease the demand on Emergency Medical Services Agencies from non-emergent responses and reduce the number of hospital emergency department visits and readmissions. Transporting patients with trauma directly to trauma centers would reduce the number of additional patient transports.

- C. *Immediate:* The anticipated benefits listed above should have an immediate impact as soon as the proposed regulation becomes effective.
- D. Long-term: The beneficial effects are expected to have a long-term impact.
- 2. Anticipated effects on the public:
 - A. Adverse: None.
 - B. *Beneficial:* Increase availability of community paramedicine services, particularly in rural areas.
 - C. *Immediate*: Increased community paramedicine services will be available immediately.
 - D. *Long-term:* Overall improvement of patient health care, decrease in nonemergent patient transports and decreased use of emergency departments as primary care providers.

3. The estimated cost to the Division of Public and Behavioral Health for enforcement of the proposed regulations is estimated to be \$0. Currently it is expected that the provisions of these regulations would be incorporated into current processes utilizing existing staff therefore no cost (\$0) to the agency for enforcement is anticipated.

4. The proposed regulations do not overlap or duplicate any other Nevada state regulations.

Per NRS 233B.064(2), upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either prior to adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

Members of the public may make oral comments at this meeting. Persons wishing to submit written testimony or documentary evidence in excess of two typed, 8-1/2" x 11" pages must submit the material to the Board's Secretary, Julie Kotchevar, to be received no later than September 1, 2018 at the following address:

Secretary, State Board of Health Division of Public and Behavioral Health 4150 Technology Way, Suite 300 Carson City, NV 89706

Written comments, testimony, or documentary evidence in excess of two typed pages will not be accepted at the time of the hearing. The purpose of this requirement is to allow Board members adequate time to review the documents. A copy of the notice and proposed regulations are on file for inspection and/or may be copied at the following locations during normal business hours:

Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health 4150 Technology Way, Main Lobby Carson City, NV 89701 Nevada State Library 100 Stewart Street Carson City, NV 89701

Southern Nevada Health District Red Rock Conference Room 208 South Decatur Blvd Las Vegas, NV 89146

A copy of the public hearing notice can also be found at Nevada Legislature's web page: <u>https://www.leg.state.nv.us/app/notice/a/</u>

A copy of the regulations and this notice can be found on-line by going to: <u>http://dpbh.nv.gov/Reg/EMS/dta/Boards/Emergency_Medical_System_(EMS) - Boards/</u>

Copies may be obtained in person, by mail, or by calling the Emergency Medical Systems Program at (775) 687-7578.

Copies may also be obtained from any of the public libraries listed below:

Carson City Library 900 North Roop Street Carson City, NV 89702

Clark County District Library 1401 East Flamingo Road Las Vegas, NV 89119

Elko County Library 720 Court Street Elko, NV 89801

Eureka Branch Library 80 South Monroe Street Eureka, NV 89316-0283 Churchill County Library 553 South Main Street Fallon, NV 89406

Douglas County Library 1625 Library Lane Minden, NV 89423

Esmeralda County Library Corner of Crook and 4th Street Goldfield, NV 89013-0484

Henderson District Public Library 280 South Green Valley Parkway Henderson, NV 89012 Humboldt County Library 85 East 5th Street Winnemucca, NV 89445-3095

Lincoln County Library 93 Maine Street Pioche, NV 89043-0330

Mineral County Library 110 1st Street Hawthorne, NV 89415-1390

Pershing County Library 1125 Central Avenue Lovelock, NV 89419-0781

Tonopah Public Library 167 Central Street Tonopah, NV 89049-0449

White Pine County Library 950 Campton Street Ely, NV 89301-1965 Lander County Library 625 South Broad Street Battle Mountain, NV 89820-0141

Lyon County Library 20 Nevin Way Yerington, NV 89447-2399

Pahrump Library District

701 East Street Pahrump, NV 89041-0578

Storey County Library 95 South R Street Virginia City, NV 89440-0014

Washoe County Library 301 South Center Street Reno, NV 89505-2151