

A COMPARISON OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE THREE N.H. EMS BOARDS

COORDINATING BOARD

Develop and update a statewide plan for the delivery of emergency medical services.

Routinely assess the delivery of care in the EMS system.

Recommend to the Commissioner of Safety rules for governing the EMS system.

Review and comment on proposed rule changes by the Commissioner of Safety.

Designate, as requested, EMS Regions and Districts.

Approve statewide trauma system procedures including policies and minimum standards of system performance.

Promote interstate cooperation of emergency medical services.

MEDICAL CONTROL BOARD

Assist the NH EMS Coordinating Board in the coordination of a system of comprehensive emergency medical services and establish minimum standards through policies, procedures, and protocols.

Provide technical services to the Bureau and the Coordinating Board.

Serve as a liaison with medical personnel throughout the state.

Submit patient care protocols to the Commissioner of Safety for rules adoption.

Specify, with the concurrence of the NH Board of Pharmacy, controlled and non-controlled prescription drugs for use by EMS providers.

Approve protocols or procedures for use by EMS providers either under their own license or through Medical Control.

TRAUMA REVIEW COMMITTEE

Develop and routinely update the adult and pediatric trauma system plan.

Review statewide trauma system operations, including monitoring adherence to established guidelines and standards, the availability of appropriate resources, and the periodic review of trauma hospital classification criteria.

Review the delivery of emergency medical services by providers and units concerning the provision of care to trauma patients.

Make recommendations to the Coordinating board based on the reviews described above.

Recommend to the EMS medical control board modifications of the protocols of trauma care as a result of system-wide review.

Assist trauma hospitals in the development and implementation of trauma quality improvement programs.

Assist the Coordinating Board in the coordination of a system of comprehensive emergency medical services and the establishment of minimum standards throughout the state by advising the Coordinating Board on policies, procedures, and protocols.