

## NOTICES OF SUBSTANTIVE POLICY STATEMENTS

The Administrative Procedure Act requires the publication of substantive policy statements issued by agencies (A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(14)). Substantive policy statements are written expressions which inform the general public of an agency's current approach to rule or regulation practice. Substantive policy statements are advisory only. A substantive policy statement does not include internal procedural documents that only affect the internal procedures of the agency and does not impose additional requirements or penalties on regulated parties or include confidential information or rules made in accordance with the Arizona Administrative Procedure Act. If you believe that a substantive policy statement does impose additional requirements or penalties on regulated parties you may petition the agency under A.R.S. § 41-1033 for a review of the statement.

### NOTICE OF SUBSTANTIVE POLICY STATEMENT

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

[M05-212]

**1. Subject of the substantive policy statement and the substantive policy statement number by which the policy statement is referenced:**

SP-066-PHS-EMS: Clarification of EMT-Ps' Authority to Perform Rapid Sequence Intubation (RSI)

**2. Date the substantive policy statement was issued and the effective date of the policy statement if different from the issuance date:**

Issuance Date: August 19, 2005

Effective Date: September 1, 2005

**3. Summary of the contents of the substantive policy statement:**

The substantive policy statement clarifies EMT-Paramedics' authority to perform rapid sequence intubation (RSI). RSI is an advanced airway skill that involves administration of a sedation agent and a paralytic agent to facilitate endotracheal intubation.

**4. A statement as to whether the substantive policy statement is a new statement or a revision:**

This is a new substantive policy statement.

**5. The name, address, and telephone number of the person to whom questions and comments about the substantive policy statement may be directed:**

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**6. Information about where a person may obtain a copy of the substantive policy statement and the costs for obtaining the policy statement:**

A copy of the substantive policy statement may be obtained from the Arizona Department of Health Services web site by selecting the appropriate link under "Division of Public Health Services" at [http://www.azdhs.gov/diro/admin\\_rules/substantive.htm](http://www.azdhs.gov/diro/admin_rules/substantive.htm) or from the Arizona Department of Health Services, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, 150 N. 18th Ave., Suite 540, Phoenix, AZ 85007. The Department charges 25¢ per page for copying. Payment may be made with cash or by check or money order made payable to the Arizona Department of Health Services.