



STATE OF WASHINGTON
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
AND TRAUMA CARE

Post Office Box 47853 • Olympia, Washington 98504-7853

Posted: August 1, 2024

Closes: August 15, 2024

To: All Whatcom County Hospital Administrators, Emergency Department Physician and Nurse Directors, & EMS & Trauma Care System Partners

From: Dawn Felt, Acting EMS Program Manager, Office of Community Health Systems EMS and Trauma Section

RE: Recruitment of an EMS Physician Medical Program Director (MPD)

The Washington State Department of Health (department) is seeking a qualified physician to serve as the EMS Medical Program Director (MPD) for Whatcom County. The appointment date will be determined in transition discussions with the outgoing MPD.

The Secretary of the department is responsible for appointing an MPD for each County in accordance with [RCW 18.71.212](#). The physician is appointed certified, and contracted as a MPD by the department and receives a small stipend from the department to serve in this capacity.

The MPD is responsible for overseeing the patient care activities of certified EMS personnel in accordance with the roles and responsibilities outlined in [WAC 246-976-920](#).

The MPD's qualifications include, at a minimum:

- Having a current, valid license to practice medicine and surgery in Washington State under chapter 18.71 RCW or osteopathic medicine and surgery under chapter 18.57 RCW; and
- Be qualified and knowledgeable in the administration and management of emergency medical care and services; and
- Be recommended for certification as an MPD by the local medical community and local or Regional EMS & Trauma Care Council.

At this time, I am asking that you share this notification with your physician staff. Any physician interested in serving as the MPD should submit a letter of interest and current curriculum vitae. Please email a scanned copy of the documents to me at dawn.felt@doh.wa.gov. I am available to answer any questions at 360-236-2842.