

Questions for Stakeholder Engagement
Emergency Medical Services
To be held February 4, 2019

1. How do emergency departments ensure that there are appropriate specialists available to meet the needs of the patient population?

2. What kinds of medical imaging services (X-ray, CT, etc.) are available for emergency patients in:
 - Standby emergency departments?
 - Basic emergency departments?
 - Comprehensive emergency departments?

3. Are medical imaging services available to the emergency department 24 hours per day, 7 days per week?

4. During 2011 stakeholder engagement, one organization requested that the regulations require a triage area. Should this be a licensing requirement?

5. Do emergency departments have special emergency preparedness requirements in addition to the hospital-wide emergency preparedness requirements?

6. How does the emergency department manage psychiatric patients when no beds are available in an inpatient psychiatric unit or acute psychiatric hospital?
 - a. How do emergency departments ensure the safety of suicidal patients?
 - b. What training is appropriate for emergency department staff who care for psychiatric patients?

7. During 2011 commentary, one organization commented that the requirement for “...blood storage facilities in or adjacent to the emergency service” is obsolete. How does the emergency department ensure that blood and blood products are readily available?
8. How does the emergency department ensure that it has reliable and rapid communication with essential support services (blood bank, lab, imaging, police, fire, etc.)?
9. What is the process for ensuring that medication information is accurately communicated when a patient is transferred to an inpatient unit?
10. How does the emergency department ensure the safety of obese patients?
11. Does the emergency department have equipment that is appropriate for children, including newborns?
12. What special considerations, if any, should apply to small and rural emergency departments?
13. Do you have any additional suggestions or comments regarding emergency department licensing regulations?