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Kirsten L. Johnson Secretary

March 6, 2023

(Via E-Mail and Certified US Mail)

Eric Haynes PO Box 724 Friendship, WI 53934

RE: Reprimand of Eric Haynes #70114670

Dear Mr. Haynes:

The Department of Health Services (Department), Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Section, hereby reprimands you, Eric Haynes, License #70114670, for not maintaining current CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) certification throughout the triennial licensing period, as required by Wis. Admin. Code DHS § 110.13(4m).

Factual Basis for the Department's Action

On November 11, 2022, the Department received a complaint alleging that you were operating as an EMT-Paramedic with Lifestar Emergency Medical Services, LLC without current CPR certification. The documentation provided with the complaint documented your CPR certification expired at the end of November 2021. The complaint included a copy of a forged CPR certification card that documented an issue date of 12/10/21 with a recommended renewal date of 12/2023.

A review of the CPR certification card provided in the complaint determined that the CPR certification card you submitted to Lifestar Emergency Medical Services, LLC was forged and invalid. Additionally, the Department was provided with documentation that you operated as an EMT-Paramedic for 360 calls without valid CPR certification from the period of 2/1/22 to 11/18/22, when you were initially suspended and subsequently terminated from your employment with Lifestar Emergency Medical Services, LLC.

During an interview with you, Eric Haynes, you confirmed that you did not have valid CPR certification from 2/1/22 to 11/29/22. During the interview, you also confirmed that you provided a forged CPR certification card to Lifestar Emergency Services, LLC. Additionally, the most recent CPR certification card you provided to the Department was issued on 11/29/22, confirming that you did not have valid CPR certification from 2/1/22 to 11/29/22.

Legal Authority for Department Action

Under Wis. Admin Code DHS § 110.56,

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The department may reprimand a licensee, permit holder, or certificate holder if the department finds that the person has violated a requirement of this chapter or ch. 256, Stats., or engaged in conduct described in s. DHS 110.54. A reprimand documents the department's finding that the permittee, certificate holder or licensee has violated a requirement of this chapter or ch. 256, Stats., or has engaged in conduct described in s. DHS 110.54. A reprimand may be in the form of a letter issued to the person who is the subject of the reprimand...

Wis. Admin. Code DHS § 110.13(4m) states,

An EMS professional shall demonstrate current competencies in CPR at the healthcare professional level by maintaining documentation of successful completion of a CPR course at the healthcare professional level by a CPR organization specified under s. DHS 110.17 (1) throughout the triennial license period.

Department Action

Based on the records submitted and interview, it has been determined that while licensed as an EMT- Paramedic you did not maintain current CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) certification throughout the triennial licensing period, as required by Wis. Admin. Code DHS § 110.13(4m).

In accordance with Wis. Admin. Code DHS §110.56, the Department will post the reprimand on the Department's website, will retain a copy of this letter of warning in your file, and may consider it in determining what further enforcement action may be appropriate if violations continue.

Pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code DHS § 110.56, the Department's issuance of this reprimand is a final decision of the Department and is not subject to an administrative hearing.

If you need additional assistance, please contact me by phone at 608-267-7178 or via email at natalie.easterday@dhs.wisconsin.gov.

Sincerely,

Natalie Easterday

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Director

Office of Preparedness and Emergency Health Care

Wisconsin Department of Health Services