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**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
REGULATION  
OF**

**Department of Public Health**  
Name of Agency

**Concerning**  
**Mobile Field Hospital**  
**SUBJECT MATTER OF REGULATION**

**Section 1. (NEW) The Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies is amended by adding section 19a-487b-1 as follows:**

- (NEW) (a) Administration
- (1) A hospital as defined in section 19a-490(b) of the general statutes may operate a mobile field hospital, as defined in Section 19a-487(a) of the general statutes, as amended, only if the governor or the governor's designee has authorized the activation of the mobile field hospital and only if the Department of Public Health has determined that the requirements specified below have been satisfied:
    - (A) The hospital has completed a site assessment and identified a suitable location to place the mobile field hospital and the Department has approved of this location;
    - (B) The hospital has developed or adopted policies and protocols governing the operation of the mobile field hospital including, but not limited, to procedures for credentialing and staffing of the mobile field hospital; and
  - (2) The hospital shall be responsible for operation of the mobile field hospital with logistical support from the department.
- (b) Medical staff
- (1) The medical staff of the mobile field hospital shall be under the supervision of a physician who has been designated as the medical director by the hospital for the incident for which the mobile field hospital has been activated.
  - (2) Said physician shall:
    - (A) Have a valid and current Connecticut license;
    - (B) Be qualified in the type of care and services being rendered;
    - (C) Be responsible for the quality of services being provided; and
    - (D) Have one (1) year of experience or training in supervising staff who are functioning in an emergent situation, or equivalent experience.

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- (c) Nursing services
  - (1) The nursing staff of the mobile field hospital shall be under the supervision of a registered nurse or advanced practice registered nurse designated as the nursing supervisor by the hospital for the incident for which the mobile field hospital has been activated.
  - (2) The nursing supervisor shall:
    - (A) Have a valid and current Connecticut license;
    - (B) Be responsible for the provision and quality of nursing services; and
    - (C) In consultation with the medical director physician, ensure sufficient nursing personnel are available to meet the needs of the patients.
  - (3) A registered nurse shall be on duty at all times the mobile field hospital is providing nursing services.
- (d) Medical records
  - (1) A medical record shall be created for each patient at the time of admission to the mobile field hospital and shall include, but not be limited to:
    - (A) Identification data; and
    - (B) A registered nurse or licensed practitioner's notation of condition on admission.
  - (2) The medical record of each patient admitted to the mobile field hospital shall contain sufficient information to justify the necessity of treatment, confinement, or other intervention. All necessary physical, mental, or other health assessments shall be performed and recorded by a practitioner with applicable statutory authority to perform said assessments.
  - (3) Medical records shall be safeguarded against loss, destruction or unauthorized use. Electronic medical records shall be consistent with state and federal policies and procedures for interoperability, privacy and security. Entries in medical records shall be legible and shall be signed by the practitioner who made the entry, provided the service, or wrote the order.
- (e) General
  - (1) The mobile field hospital shall maintain, or have available, appropriate equipment and sufficient qualified staff to meet the needs of the patients.
  - (2) The hospital may contract for services, in compliance with federal and state laws, that are necessary for the provision of patient care or mobile field hospital operations related to the incident for which the mobile field hospital has been activated. Such services may include, but are not limited to: pharmacy, radiology, dietary, laboratory, laundry, waste removal, and security.

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**Statement of Purpose:** (A) The purpose of this regulation is to comply with Section 19a-487b of the general statutes. These provisions require the Commissioner of Public Health to adopt regulations to implement mobile field hospital policies and procedures. (B) The proposed regulation will allow hospitals to operate a mobile field hospital, provided the governor or the governor's designee has authorized its activation and provided the requirements specified in the regulation have been met. These requirements will protect public health and safety while ensuring that the needs of patients are met in this environment. (C) This regulation will add section 19a-487b – 1 to the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies.

Be it known that the foregoing:

Regulations  Emergency Regulations

are:

Adopted  Amended as hereinabove stated  Repealed

By the aforesaid agency pursuant to:

Sections ... of the General Statutes.

Section 19a-487 of the General Statutes

Public Act. ... of the ... Public Acts.

After publication in the Connecticut Law Journal on September 2, 2008 the notice of the proposal to:

Adopt  Amend  Repeal such regulations

(If applicable):  And the holding of an advertised public hearing on ...

WHEREFORE, the foregoing regulations are hereby:

Adopted  Amended as hereinabove stated  Repealed

Effective:

When filed with the Secretary of the State.

(OR)

The \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_ 20\_\_.

In Witness Whereof:	Date	SIGNED (Head of Board, Agency or Commission)	OFFICIAL TITLE, DULY AUTHORIZED <i>Commissioner</i>
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Approved by the Attorney General as to legal sufficiency in accordance with Sec. 4-169, as amended, C.G.S.:	SIGNED	OFFICIAL TITLE, DULY AUTHORIZED
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Approved

Disapproved

Disapproved in part, (Indicate Section Numbers disapproved only)

Rejected without prejudice.

The Legislative Review Committee in accordance with Sec. 4-170, as amended, of the General Statutes	DATE	SIGNED (Clerk of the Legislative Regulation Review Committee)
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**Two certified copies received and filed, and one such copy forwarded to the Commission on Official Legal Publications in accordance with Section 4-172, as amended, of the General Statutes.**

DATE	SIGNED (Secretary of the State)	BY
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### **INSTRUCTIONS**

**One copy of all regulations for adoption, amendment or repeal, except emergency regulations, must be presented to the Attorney General for his determination of legal sufficiency. Section 4-169 of the General Statutes.**

**Eighteen copies of all regulations for adoption, amendment or repeal, except emergency regulations, must be presented to the standing Legislative Regulation Review Committee for its approval. Section 4-170 of the General Statutes.**

**Each regulation must be in the form intended for publication and must include the appropriate regulation section number and section heading. Section 4-172 of the General Statutes.**

**Indicate by "(NEW)" in heading if new regulation. Amended regulations must contain new language in capital letters and deleted language in brackets. Section 4-170 of the General Statutes.**