

Patient Care and Transportation Standards

Summary of Changes

Version 2.3

The following changes have been made between version 2.2 and 2.3:

- Updated the branch and ministry name
- Updated formatting to the Living Standards template
- Minor wording revisions and housekeeping edits

Section 1 – Patient Care

- **A. General**
 - Updated to clarify the relationship between Directives issued by Ontario’s Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH), the *Patient Care and Transportation Standards* and the *Provincial Equipment Standards for Ontario Ambulance Services*
- **B. Communicable Disease**
 - Updated language for clarity in in the “Routine Practice and Additional Precautions” guidance section

Provincial Equipment Standards for Ontario Ambulance Services

Summary of Changes

Version 3.5

The following changes have been made between version 3.4 and 3.5:

- Updated the Ministry of Health name and logo
- Minor wording revisions and housekeeping edits

Preamble

- Updated definition of “sterile”
- Updated to clarify the relationship between Directives issued by Ontario’s Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH) and the standards

Part A

List 1 - Land Ambulance/ERV Accessory Equipment

- Removed “portable hand lights (with batteries)”

List 2 - Primary Care Paramedic Land Ambulance Equipment and Medication

- Removed “EHRAB Standard No. 135 – gloves, safety”
- Removed “EHRAB Standard No. 155 – helmet, safety”
- Removed “EHRAB Standard No. 415 – vests, high visibility”

List 3 - Primary Care Paramedic ERV Equipment

- Removed “EHRAB Standard No. 135 – gloves, safety”
- Removed “EHRAB Standard No. 155 – helmet, safety”
- Removed “EHRAB Standard No. 415 – vests, high visibility”

List 5 - Land Ambulance Auxiliary Equipment and Medication

- Removed medication “diphenhydramine”

Part B

- Removed Standard – “Gloves, Safety – No. 135”
- Removed Standard – “Helmet, Safety – No. 155”
- Removed Standard – “Vests, High Visibility – No. 415”

Suction Catheter - No. 360

- Changed catheter length requirement from 50 - 55 cm to 40 - 55 cm

Symptom Relief Medication and Equipment - No. 400

- Added medication “diphenhydramine”

Advanced Life Support Patient Care Standards

Summary of Changes

Version 4.7

The following changes have been made between version 4.6.1 and 4.7:

Appendix 3 – PCP Auxiliary Medical Directives

- **NEW - Assessment of Patients with Possible COVID-19 Medical Directive - AUXILIARY**

Appendix 4 – ACP Auxiliary Medical Directives

- **NEW - Assessment of Patients with Possible COVID-19 Medical Directive - AUXILIARY**