



## **EMS Information Bulletin 2016-01**

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**SUBJECT:** Quick Response Service Staffing Clarification

**TO:** Pennsylvania EMS Agencies

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This EMS Information Bulletin will serve to provide further clarification on Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) functioning while staffing Quick Response Services (QRS) as published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin, Approved and Required Medications List for Emergency Medical Services Agencies and Emergency Medical Providers; 45 Pa.B. 5451 of Saturday, August 29, 2015.

An EMT may provide care and administer medications as published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin, Scope of Practice for Emergency Medical Services Providers; 45 Pa.B. 5463 of Saturday, August 29, 2015, that are within the Scope of Practice for an EMT, while functioning with a licensed BLS/QRS with approval of the agency medical director.

The QRS agency shall secure all medications and equipment in a manner so that only those EMS providers authorized to administer the medications and use that equipment in providing EMS have access to those medications and equipment.

Please forward any questions to your regional EMS council.