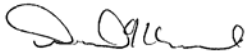
 <p>Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board</p>	SECTION: Land Ambulance
	POLICY TITLE: Patient Care Standards
ORIGINAL DATE: July, 2006	POLICY AREA: Administration
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Purpose

To provide guidance and direction regarding the level and standard of Patient Care to be provided by all Paramedic Services personnel.

Policy

The Rainy River District Social Services Administration Board (RRDSSAB) ensures that all patient care is provided in a manner that is consistent with recognized patient care standards and in accordance with the:

- a) *Ambulance Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. A. 19, as amended;*
- b) *Ontario Regulation 257/00, General, as amended;*
- c) *Patient Care and Transportation Standards, as amended;*
- d) *Ambulance Service Communicable Disease Standards, as amended;*
- e) *Basic Life Support Standards (BLS), as amended;*
- f) *Advanced Life Support Standards (ALS), as amended;*
- g) *Northwest Region Base Hospital Policies and Procedures, as amended; and*
- h) *RRDSSAB Policies and Procedures, as amended.*

Procedure

1. The Chief of Paramedic Services (PS) or designate ensures that all employees deliver patient care in accordance with applicable legislation, standards and policy.

The Chief of PS or designate may identify patient care deficiencies through various means, including continued medical education, ride-outs, debriefings, chart reviews, skill evaluations, or *Incident Reports*.

2. The RRDSSAB shares a joint responsibility for Quality Assurance with the designated Base Hospital. Remedial training is provided, in accordance with RRDSSAB and Base Hospital policy and procedures.