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POLICY STATEMENT

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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This memo serves as notice that the Washington state department of health (department), health systems quality assurance division, office of community health systems, emergency medical services (EMS) section is rescinding Policy Number EMS 20-01: EMS Providers and Emergency Vaccinations, which was filed October 23, 2020, and published in WSR 20-22-030.

The policy statement allowed an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician, or paramedic to administer a vaccination during a public health emergency as outlined in the policy. The policy is being rescinded because it is no longer needed. The department adopted permanent rules under WSR 24-15-104 on July 22, 2024, for chapter 246-976 WAC, Emergency medical services and trauma care systems. The rules became effective on September 30, 2024. The amendments to rule and updates to the scope of practice include requirements for EMS providers listed in the policy statement to administer vaccinations.

Individuals requiring additional information on this should contact Dawn Felt, EMS program manager, at dawn.felt@doh.wa.gov.