

SMC's requirements for conditionally registered (C-reg) doctors to be deployed as an Emergency Ambulance Service (EAS)/ Medical Transport Service (MTS) Crew Leader

SMC's Supervisory Requirements

- a) Only C-reg doctors on Level 2 (L2) /Level 3 (L3) supervision could be appointed as crew leaders for EAS / MTS.
- b) C-reg doctors must practise for at least 6 months (full-time as a medical officer) in i) Anaesthesiology, ii) Emergency Medicine, iii) General Surgery iv) Intensive Care Medicine or v) General Medicine to be eligible to EAS / MTS crew leader ("selected C-reg doctors") OR
- c) A combination of full-time practice at any of the 5 departments listed at point (b) is also allowed as long as the total duration of the combined postings adds to at least 6 months.
- d) The primary and/or secondary* fully registered (F-reg) supervisors are responsible to ensure that the C-reg doctor would be properly supervised.
- e) The selected C-reg doctors should take responsibility for the care decisions they make and consult their supervisors as needed and where appropriate.
- f) The case notes will be appropriately reviewed by the primary / secondary / on-call qualified F-reg supervisor as determined by the institution.
- g) The institution must ensure that the primary or secondary F-reg supervisor(s) be contactable at all times when the C-reg doctor is the crew leader for EAS/MTS.
- h) The Head of Department must maintain oversight of the supervision and supervisees.
- i) Other SMC eligibility criteria for a supervisor under SMC's Supervisory Framework would continue to apply.

*F-reg doctors in the relevant clinical departments can be the secondary supervisors provided they are deemed qualified by their Healthcare Institutions (HCIs) to take on this role. The HCI need not submit the lists of such doctors for formal approval by SMC)

Clinical Governance Officer (CGO)'s Responsibilities

CGOs is responsible for the following:

- a) CGOs would assess the competency of these selected C-reg doctors and identify those competent to be appointed as EAS / MTS crew leaders (i.e. C-reg doctor qualified and privileged).
- b) For healthcare institutions that have their own Emergency Ambulance Service (EAS) fleet/HCSA EAS licence and/or Medical Transport Service (MTS) fleet/HCSA MTS licence, the Clinical Governance Officer (CGO) of EAS/MTS is to certify that the selected C-reg doctors are clinically competent to perform the role of EAS /MTS Crew Leader.
- c) For healthcare institutions that do not have their own EAS fleet/HCSA EAS licence and/or MTS fleet/HCSA MTS licence and thus do not have a CGO for EAS/MTS licence and are engaging private ambulance operator (PAO); OR if the HCI/PAO's MTS CGO is a Registered Nurse, the HCI Chairman Medical Board (CMB) will certify that the selected C-reg doctors are clinically competent to perform the role of EAS /MTS Crew Leader.
- d) For healthcare institutions that do not have their own EAS fleet/HCSA EAS licence and/or MTS fleet/HCSA MTS licence and are engaging PAO to provide EAS/MTS, the PAO's EAS/MTS CGO will also need to co-sign the form.

Healthcare institutions are to submit the completed standard form to inform SMC on the list of C-reg (L2/L3) doctors deployed for EAS /MTS Crew Leader. C-reg doctors can be deployed immediately after submitting the form containing the list of EAS /MTS Crew Leader to SMC.