

## INSTRUCTIONS

The New York State Department of Health Bureau of Emergency Medical Services reviews and investigates complaints against individuals and agencies within the EMS system, in accordance with Article 30 of NYS Public Health Law and 10NYCRR Part 800. A complaint may be made against any New York State certified EMS agency, EMS provider, EMS course sponsor, instructor or entity conducting a public function in accordance with New York Sanitary Code Part 18. **Important note: The Bureau of Emergency Medical Services does not have jurisdiction over EMS billing practices and therefore does not investigate billing complaints.**

To the extent possible, each complaint received will be kept confidential. However, in order to investigate your complaint appropriately, it may be necessary to contact you. Providing your personal information will allow Bureau of EMS staff to contact you if necessary. Additionally, it may be necessary for Bureau of EMS staff to speak with, or receive statements from, witnesses, medical staff, or other involved parties.

To file a complaint, please complete this form and mail or fax it to:

NYS DOH Bureau of EMS                      OR                      (518) 402-0985  
Complaint & Investigations Unit  
875 Central Avenue  
Albany, NY 12206

In order to process your complaint in a timely manner, please:

- Type or Print clearly
- Complete form in its entirety, including your contact information
- Include any names, organizations, and phone numbers with whom you have already filed a complaint
- Attach documents that support your concern

## CONTACT INFORMATION

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ – \_\_\_\_\_ Alternative Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ – \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
How are you related to the patient (if applicable)? \_\_\_\_\_

## PATIENT INFORMATION (Required for patient care complaints)

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## COMPLAINT INFORMATION

Date on which your concern occurred: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of EMS Agency: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of EMS Provider(s) (if known): \_\_\_\_\_  
Was law enforcement involved? \_\_\_\_\_  No  Yes  
If yes, name of law enforcement agency: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please attach any reports filed)  
Have you filed a complaint with the EMS agency or provider? \_\_\_\_\_  No  Yes  
(Please attach any correspondences)  
Have you filed a complaint with anyone else? \_\_\_\_\_  No  Yes  
If yes, with whom: \_\_\_\_\_  
Was your concern resolved? \_\_\_\_\_  No  Yes  
Are other patients affected by your concern? \_\_\_\_\_  No  Yes

Please list any witnesses

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ – \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ – \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ – \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your complaint in detail. Use additional pages as necessary.