

Displaying information for All Roles located in Wyoming for All Scenarios

Liability: Pharmacist Failure to Report

WCWR 048-160-011

Other medical professional

A pharmacist must report unusual trends in pharmacy visits, filled prescriptions, or nonprescription medication sales that the pharmacist believes could be related to a public health emergency; failure to report is a crime and can result in a fine and/or imprisonment.

Liability: Failure to Report Listed Reportable Disease

WCWR 048-160-001(5)-(9)

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker

A health care provider who is diagnosing or treating a person with a listed reportable disease or administrator of a health care facility or laboratory where a reportable disease has been documented must report the occurrence of the listed reportable disease or condition. They can be held legally responsible if they fail to make a report.

Liability: Volunteer Emergency Medical Services Provider

Wyo. Stat. 1-1-120(b)

Volunteer / Other, EMT

An individual who is a volunteer ambulance staffer, an unpaid emergency rescue vehicle operator, or a physician medical director who, in good faith, provides emergency medical services will not be held legally responsible for acting or failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

Liability: Ambulance Service During Scarcity of Local Resources

Wyo. Stat. 33-36-108

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

When licensed ambulances are incapable of serving the needs of their localities due to a major catastrophe or emergency, vehicles rendering services as ambulances (including those from out-of-state) can assist in providing care and transportation and will not be professionally disciplined or charged with a crime.

Additionally, when a privately owned vehicle transports patients in the performance of a lifesaving act, the operator will not be professionally disciplined or charged with a crime as long as the privately owned vehicle is not routinely used for such purposes. Volunteer ambulance services in rural areas and search and rescue activities are also protected from sanctions and criminal charges.

Good Samaritan Law

Wyo. Stat. 1-1-120(a)

Nurse, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Volunteer / Other, Physician, Other medical professional, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional, Minor/Student

An individual who, in good faith, provides emergency care at the scene of an emergency will not be held legally responsible for acting or failing to act.

Generally, Good Samaritan laws only offer protection for those individuals who provide care during spontaneous emergencies unrelated to volunteer deployment.

Liability: Compliance with Mental Health Directive

WCWR 048-230-001

Other medical professional, Nurse, Physician

A mental health professional who complies with a psychiatric advance directive will not be held legally responsible or professionally professionally disciplined for good faith compliance.

Liability: Noncompliance with Department of Health Regulations

Wyo. Stat. 35-4-101

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

Any individual who violates, interferes with the enforcement of, or refuses to obey the rules and regulations established by the Wyoming Department of Health regarding communicable diseases is guilty of a crime and can be fined or imprisoned.

Liability: Hazardous Discharge

Wyo. Stat. 1-1-120(c)

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

An individual who, in good faith and without compensation, gives advice or provides assistance in preparation for or in response to a discharge of hazardous materials will not be held legally responsible for acting or failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

Liability: Volunteer

Wyo. Stat. 1-1-125

Volunteer / Other, Firefighter

A volunteer who provides services within the scope of the volunteer's duties and responsibilities, either on behalf of a nonprofit organization or for a volunteer fire department, will not be held legally responsible for acting or for failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness, intent to cause harm, or careless operation of a motor vehicle.

**Liability: Refusing to Provide
Emergency Services**

Wyo. Stat. 35-2-115

Other medical professional, Nurse, Physician, EMT

A Wyoming-licensed physician or hospital employee who refuses to provide emergency services at a hospital based on a reasonable determination that the patient's condition is not serious, or there are not enough hospital staff to care for the patient, or the facility is inadequate to treat the patient, the physician or hospital employee will not be held legally responsible.

**Liability: Donation of Emergency
Responder Equipment**

Wyo. Stat. 1-1-138

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

An individual who donates emergency response equipment to an emergency responder will not be held legally responsible. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

Liability: AED

Wyo. Stat. 35-26-103

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

A member of a civil defense force from within New York, another state, the federal government, or Canada will receive the same privileges, duties, powers, and immunities of their home jurisdiction while performing civil defense services within New York pursuant to a law, regulation, agreement, or compact requesting aid.

Liability: Homeland Security Worker

Wyo. Stat. 19-13-113

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

A homeland security worker who participates in activities related to emergency preparedness will not be held legally responsible. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or with intent to cause harm.

A homeland security worker does not need a license to practice any professional mechanical skill or other skill as long as the homeland security worker practices the skill during preparation exercises or during an actual emergency.

License Reciprocity: Funeral Service Practitioner During State of Emergency

Wyo. Stat. 33-16-522(b)

Volunteer / Other

An individual licensed as a funeral service practitioner in another state can automatically obtain a license to practice in Wyoming upon demonstration that the individual holds a valid current license in good standing as long as either an emergency declaration is in effect or the Wyoming State Board of Funeral Service Practitioners determines such licensure reciprocity would serve educational purposes.

License Reciprocity: Consultation with Physician

WCWR 024-052-001(7)(a)

Physician

A licensed physician from another state or country who comes into Wyoming or uses telemedicine for consultation at the request of a Wyoming-licensed physician can practice medicine in Wyoming without a Wyoming license for up to 12 days in a calendar year. Longer visits require approval of the state medical board.

License Reciprocity: Physician Assistant During Emergency

WCWR 024-052-001(7)(d)

Other medical professional

When an emergency declaration is in effect, a licensed physician assistant from another state or country who comes into Wyoming can provide medical care for the duration of the state of emergency and does not need to obtain a Wyoming license as long as the physician assistant can provide proof of licensure and identity prior to providing medical care.

License Reciprocity: Physician During Emergencies

WCWR 024-052-001(7)(d)

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License Reciprocity: During a Disaster

Wyo. Stat. 19-13-115

Other medical professional, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist

When an emergency declaration is in effect, an out-of-state professional can practice their professional talents during the emergency without complying with Wyoming licensure requirements.

Volunteer License: Physician and Physician Assistant

Wyo. Stat. 33-26-601

Other medical professional, Physician

A retired physician or physician assistant from any state may apply for a volunteer license in Wyoming for a term of one year to provide voluntary care to low income uninsured persons on the premises of a health care or other medical practice facility in Wyoming. In order to obtain this volunteer license, the physician or physician assistant must have worked and maintained licensure in good standing for at least 10 years prior to retirement, must submit proof of this most recent license (including a copy of medical education and postgraduate training), and must also submit a notarized statement regarding the retired physician's or physician assistant's commitment to serve the poor without compensation.

License Reciprocity: Ambulance Services and Emergency Medical Service Provider

WCWR 048-140-005

EMT

Ambulance services and emergency medical services personnel can be granted emergency licenses to operate or practice in order to manage a public health emergency in Wyoming. A written or electronic confirmation is necessary to confirm that emergency medical services personnel are currently licensed at a similar level in another state. The emergency licenses will last until the governor of Wyoming declares that the public health emergency has ended.

Scope of Practice: Physician Assistant Supervision During Emergency

WCWR 024-052-001(7)(c)

Other medical professional

A licensed physician assistant can provide medical aid at the scene of an emergency without physician supervision.

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Workers? Compensation: Emergency Support Task Force

Wyo. Stat. 19-13-107

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An individual engaged in an emergency support task force in Wyoming is entitled to workers? compensation for injuries, disabilities, or death. They are also entitled to the same legal protections as employees of Wyoming. The individual, while actively engaged, is entitled to a wage based on the prevailing rate established by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Relevant Compacts

Interstate Medical Licensure Compact
Western Interstate Nuclear Compact
Emergency Management Assistance Compact