Emergencies (Service Provider) Approval 2021 (No 1)

Notifiable instrument NI2021-497

made under the

Emergencies Act 2004, s 62 (Decision about approval)

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Emergencies (Service Provider) Approval 2021 (No 1)*.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences the day after its notification day.

3 Approval

- (1) I approve State Medical Assistance Pty Ltd trading as State Medical Assistance ABN 34 164 973 077 (the provider) to provide ambulance services (the services) at events in the ACT and during the COVID-19 emergency period.
- (2) In this instrument:

COVID-19 emergency period means the period during which the *Public Health (Emergency) Declaration 2020 (No 1)* (NI2020-153) (NI2021-489), as extended or further extended, is in force.

4 Conditions on Approval

Approval is subject to the conditions contained in Schedule 1.

5 Revocation

I revoke the *Emergencies (Service Provider) Approval 2020 (No 7)* (NI2020-724).

6 Expiry

This instrument expires on 18 August 2023.

Mick Gentleman MLA Minister for Police and Emergency Services 19 August 2021

SCHEDULE 1 CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

1. The provider must comply with all conditions set out in the Application for Approval to Provide Ambulance Services in the ACT – AF2015-140.

Non-emergency patient transport

- 2. Upon tasking by the ACT Government (ACT Ambulance Service, ACT Health and/or Canberra Health Services), the provider can provide non-emergency patient transport as directed during the COVID-19 emergency period. The Provider may not transport any patient (other than within a specific event precinct where approval has been provided by the Chief Officer ACT Ambulance Service as set out below) other than through the official tasking procedure advised by the ACT Ambulance Service ACT Health and/or Canberra Health Services.
- 3. The Provider will be required to adhere to cleaning and infection control principles, and requirements for the use of PPE, as advised by ACT Ambulance Service, ACT Health and/or Canberra Health Services.
- 4. The Provider will comply with all relevant road transport legislation including the *Road Transport (Road Rules) Regulation 2017*. The use of audible or visual warning devices whilst undertaking non-emergency patient transport is not permitted.

Events

- 5. The provider must seek the consent of the Chief Officer, ACT Ambulance Service to provide the services at an event which was not specified in the application for approval, at least 7 days prior to the commencement of the event. The request must specify the dates and event precinct where the services are proposed to be provided, and any consent granted is subject on the services being delivered as specified in the request.
- 6. The provider must not transport any patient outside the event precinct notified to the Chief Officer, ACT Ambulance Service.
- 7. Only the personnel nominated in the provider's application for approval under section 61 of the Emergencies Act 2004 are permitted to provide the services. Staff not nominated in the application for approval may only provide the services with the Chief Officer ACT Ambulance Service's prior written approval.
- 8. The provider must provide the Chief Officer, ACT Ambulance Service copies of any updated or renewed insurance documentation if insurance is renewed during the approval period.
- 9. The provider must provide the Chief Officer, ACT Ambulance Service copies of any clinical or pharmaceutical management guidelines implemented or amended during the approval period.