

Proposed Amendment to Colorado Revised Statutes by the Addition of a New § 25-3-102.1

25-3-102.1. Deemed Status for Certain Facilities

In the licensing of an ambulatory surgical center, satisfactory evidence that the applicant is accredited by the Joint Commission, the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care or the American Association for Accreditation for Ambulatory Surgery Facilities shall be deemed to meet licensure requirements so long as the standards for accreditation applied by the accrediting organization are at least as stringent as the licensure requirements otherwise specified by the department. Upon submission of a completed application, the department shall accept proof of such accreditation in lieu of licensing inspections. Notwithstanding the foregoing, accredited ambulatory surgical centers may still be subject to periodic review and shall at all times remain subject to department oversight to the extent necessary to ensure the public health and safety.