

Caroline County Fire & Rescue

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN-BASIC RELEASE PROGRAM AIC

Upon successful completion of an Emergency Medical Technician-Basic course or new members wishing to serve as an AIC are eligible to begin the release process. Once the release process is completed, all evaluations and letters or recommendations will be submitted to the Training Captain for final approval. Below you will find specific instructions to complete the release program including information on the final oral review board and practical review station.

1. Hold and maintain a current CPR-Healthcare Provider Card and Virginia Emergency Medical Technician-Basic certification.
2. Complete the REMS Protocol training with an approved REMS preceptor. Many of the final oral board questions will be generated directly from the REMS Protocols.
3. Become familiar with the operation of ALL ambulance equipment including ALS and BLS equipment. ALL released BLS providers should be able to serve as an ALS assist. This includes heart monitor operation, and setting up for ALS procedures such as IV's, Intubation, and medication administration. Familiarization with equipment will be reviewed during the final skills evaluation.
4. Familiar with all regional and hospital protocols including Infectious Control Plans, Mass Casualty Operations, and HazMat preparedness.
5. Demonstrates the ability to correctly perform Ambulance pre-trip check sheet including decontamination procedures.
6. Earn a minimum of 250 points by serving as AIC under the supervision of an approved preceptor. Points are calculated via the BLS release call evaluation form. A BLS release call evaluation form should be completed and signed by the preceptor and trainee for every incident and/or Patient contact.
7. Receive a letter of recommendation for release from your primary preceptor. Candidates must be evaluated by a minimum of two (2) preceptors and receive at least 30 points using the BLS release call evaluation form from at least 2 separate preceptors.
8. Once items 1 through 7 are complete schedule the final oral review board and practical exam with the training committee. Upon successful completion the training committee will submit a training packet including the oral review board score sheets, practical exam score sheets, recommendation for release letters, and ALL BLS release call evaluation forms to the agency's Training Officer and Captain for final approval.

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BLS Release Call Evaluation Form**

Candidate Name: _____ Preceptor Name: _____

Incident #: _____ Incident Date: _____

Directions to Preceptor: Please use the rating score below to describe your evaluation of the EMT-B student's performance on this call. There is additional space provided for comments and signatures. Use N/A for any categories not evaluated on an given call.

	POINTS = 0	POINTS = 1	POINTS = 2	POINTS = 3	SCORE
SCENE MANAGEMENT					
KEY ELEMENT	UNSATISFACTORY	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	SATISFACTORY	EXCELLENT	SCORE
1. Scene survey and scene management	Failed to detect any present hazards or ignored safety rules	Detected hazards present but not immediately	Performed in a safe manner without prompting	Identified hazards and performed in a safe manner	
2. Situation Report	Failed to provide situation report	Provided situation report but failed to evaluate resources	Correctly evaluate resources	Provided situation report & evaluated resources correctly	
3. Direction of team members	Failed to provide direction to team members	Poorly provided direction to team members	Management techniques need improvement	Functioned well as team leader	
4. Interact with patient and by-standers.	Rude, abrupt and/or unprofessional conduct	Lack of consideration or harsh conversation	Builds a rapport with patients & bystanders	Maintain professionalism even with difficult people	
				SCENE MANAGEMENT TOTAL SCORE	
PATIENT ASSESSMENT					
1. Perform a rapid initial assessment	Omitted portions of the assessment or failed to intervene when necessary	Performed primary but was slow to identify or intervene in a life threatening situation	Performed patient assessment & treatment in a reasonable time	Demonstrated organized initial assessment w/ rapid intervention	
2. Correctly identify mechanism of injury and/or history of present illness	Very disorganized patient assessment or failed to obtain pertinent medical or injury history	Obtained adequate history but is slow in assessment or history gathering	Performed focused history & physical exam in a reasonable time	Completed a focused history & physical exam efficiently even in difficult situations	
3. Perform an appropriate physical exam when indicated	Failed to perform a patient exam and/or findings are inaccurate	Inconsistent in performance of exam. Findings are not accurate	Perform exam pertinent to patient's chief complaint. Findings are accurate	Perform exam as indicated and was able to detect subtle findings	
4. Correctly make a transport decision	Failed to identify patient status and transport mode	Recognize patient status but identified incorrect status.	Used good judgment in status and mode of transportation	Excellent judgment regarding status and transport	
				PATIENT ASSESSMENT TOTAL SCORE	

OTHER SKILLS					
1. Airway Control	Failed to recognize need for airway intervention	Performed needed intervention but slow to recognize need or made multiple attempts	Performed needed interventions but could improve organization or technique	Successfully performed airway maneuver using good technique & organization	
2. Circulatory (Hemorrhage Control, CPR, AED, ETC.)	Unable to correctly identify and utilize the intervention	Slow to recognize a need and initialize intervention	Identified need and implemented intervention within acceptable time period	Identified need and implemented intervention without hesitation	
3. Assisted Medications (EPI-PEN, ORAL GLUCOSE, NITRO, ETC.)	Unfamiliar with medications or unable to calculate dosages	Familiar with needed medications but failed to initiate standing orders	Adequate knowledge of medications & initiates standing orders in a timely manner	Remarkable knowledge of medications & anticipates orders from medical control	
4. BLS Skills (Spinal Immobilization, Splinting, Bandaging)	Unable to correctly identify and utilize the correct intervention	Slow to recognize a need and initialize Intervention	Identified need and implemented intervention within acceptable time period	Identified need and implemented intervention without hesitation	
5. BLS Incident Documentation and PPW handling	Unable to correctly document and utilize	Familiar with documentation system, but failed to correctly record pertinent patient information.	Performed documentation correctly but could improve organization of material and/or technique	Successfully documented incident and patient information as required by the agency	
6. ALS Assist (EKG, IV Set-Up, ETC.)	Unable to correctly identify and utilize the intervention	Slow initialize intervention	Implemented intervention within acceptable time period	Implemented intervention without hesitation	
7. Pre-trip Inspection	Unable to correctly identify and utilize the check sheet	Utilized the check sheet but required assistance	Shows knowledge of the check sheet and completes with minimal assistance	Checked the truck completely independently	
				TOTAL SCORE FOR OTHER	

TOTAL SCORE FOR THIS CALL: _____

SKILLS USED THAT ARE NOT SPECIFICALLY LISTED ON THIS FORM SHOULD BE CREDITED IN THE APPROPRIATE AREA AND EXPLAINED BELOW.

PRECEPTOR COMMENTS: _____

PRECEPTORS SIGNATURE: _____