

# EMS CAREERS

## Beyond the lights and sirens.

### INTERESTED IN A FAST PACED CAREER IN HEALTH CARE?



EMTs and paramedics aid people injured in accidents or who require immediate medical attention, usually arriving after someone has called 911 for help. Sometimes they transfer patients from one medical facility to another, ensuring that their condition is safely monitored during the transfer.

### EMT/PARAMEDIC JOB DESCRIPTION



Upon arriving on scene, they assess the situation and the person. They follow the profession's protocols, determine previously existing medical conditions, provide immediate care and transport the patient to the nearest hospital/medical facility. During transport, they monitor the patient's vital signs and provide needed care. Once at the hospital/medical facility, they help transfer the patient, report their medical observations and what care they provided. They must complete paperwork/ document what they did, and ensure that any supplies used are replaced and make sure their equipment is ready for another call.

### EMT CERTIFICATION LEVELS



First Responder/EMR  
EMT  
Advanced EMT  
Paramedic  
Pre Hospital Nurse



### CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS



In Pennsylvania, prospective Emergency Medical Technicians must meet requirements that are set at the state level. You must be at least 16 to earn basic EMT credentialing (at least 18 to receive a more advanced credential). You must complete approved programs and then pass two examinations. In most cases, successful examination will result in national certification as well as state certification.

An EMT course is typically about 184 hours. A student can expect to spend time in the classroom as well as in laboratory and clinical settings.

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