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Community Paramedic New Certification Training Program

Course Details

Location:

Eden Prairie Campus

Course Delivery:

Online and in-classroom

Course Dates:

Spring 2012: June 6 -July 27

Fall 2012: September 5 - December 9

Training:

Classroom: 72 hours

Online Format / D2L: 48 hours

Clinical Rotation: 196 hours

Credits:

12 college credits

Cost:

\$1,884 / person

Plus \$140 for textbooks

Questions?

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New career path for paramedics

Hennepin Technical College (HTC) has announced that it is the first institution to offer Community Paramedic training. Minnesota Gov. Mark Dayton recently signed into law the Community Paramedics Bill creating a new certification for emergency medical technicians -- Emergency Medical Technicians-Community Paramedic (EMT-CP). The first program began in May 2011 at HTC's Eden Prairie campus, and will expand access to health care in under-served communities.

Community paramedics will provide health services where access to physicians, clinics, or hospitals is difficult. Rural Minnesota, with its large population of elderly citizens and a critical shortage of health care professionals, will be one place where community paramedics can help the most.

Community paramedics are also trained to monitor and provide certain treatment to patients with chronic diseases and perform minor medical procedures in the patients' home. For example, when responding to emergencies involving autistic patients, treating minor injuries in the patient's home eliminates the added stress of transporting them to the emergency room.

Experienced paramedics who enroll in the program will complete 72 hours of classroom and 48 hours of online training at HTC's Eden Prairie campus, as well as 196 hours of clinical training at various Twin Cities hospitals, earning 12 college credits.

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Community Paramedic Program FAQs

What is an Community Paramedic?

The Community Paramedic program responds to identified health needs in under served communities, ultimately improving the quality of life and health of rural and remote citizens and visitors. Roles include: Outreach; wellness; health screening assessments; health teaching; providing immunizations; disease management, including a thorough understanding of monitoring diabetes, congestive heart failure and other high cost diseases and the methods and medications used to treat them; recognition of mental health issues and referral into the existing mental health care system; wound care; safety programs; and functioning as physician extenders in rural clinics and hospitals.

When is the next class?

Spring classes start June 6, 2012 and end July 25, 2012, meeting every Wednesday.
Fall classes start September 5, 2012 and end December 19, 2012, meeting every Wednesday.
For both sessions, there also will be four Saturday classes, dates to be determined.

How many credits?

Participants will earn 12 college credits. The class includes 120 hours of classroom and 196 hours of clinicals. Clinicals will be set up in the eight EMS regions throughout the state of Minnesota. Clinicals can be set up in your area by our Medical Director with your Medical Director.

Who is eligible?

Prerequisite: Currently certified as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT-P) and have two (2) years of full-time service as an EMT-P, or its part-time equivalent.

Do I have to go to Minnesota to take this course?

Classes are taught 72 hours face/face or ITV and 48 hours online. Clinicals can be done at your location with pre-approval by our Medical Director.

How do I register?

Go to our website and register. The first class will include three people from each EMS region who are recommended by their Medical Director. Candidates will send a current resume and letter of recommendation from their medical director to kai.hjermstad@hennepintech.edu.

Questions?

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