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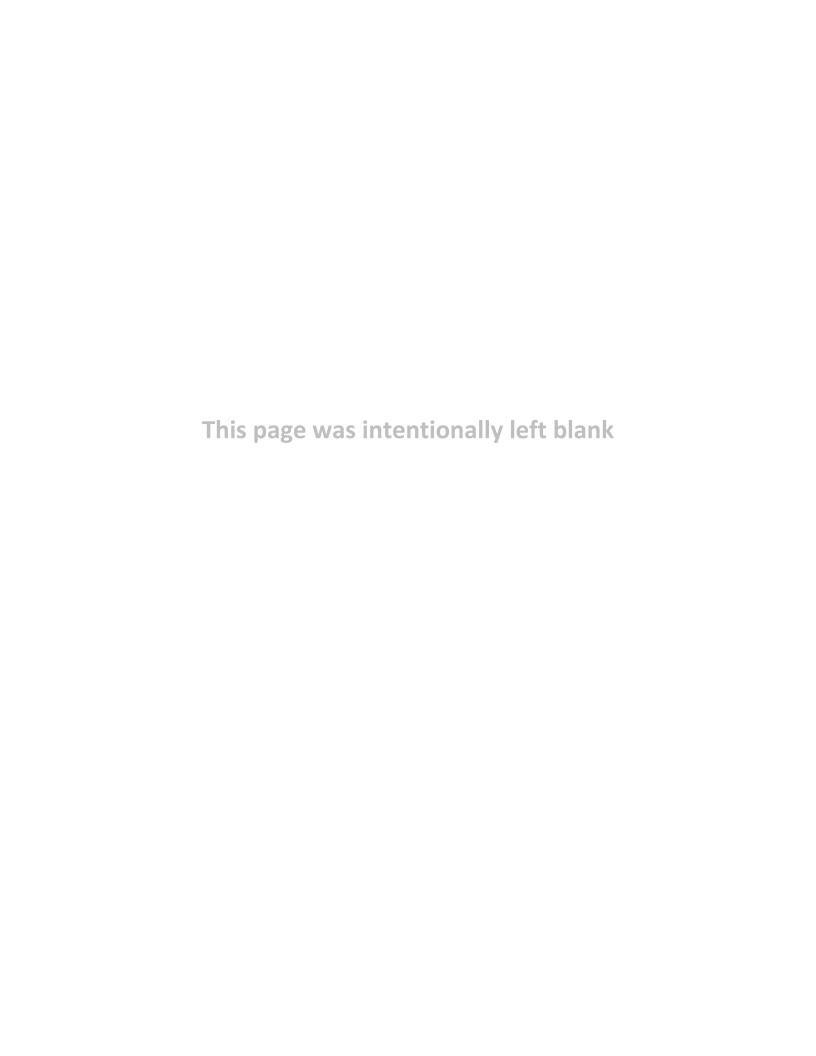
PLEASE BE ADVISED

As a prospective student, you are encouraged to review this catalog prior to signing an enrollment agreement. You are also encouraged to review the School Performance Fact Sheet, which must be provided to you prior to signing an enrollment agreement.

This catalog is updated every calendar year. Any revisions made during the calendar year will be published with attached amendments. This catalog will be made available to the public on HealthPro EMS Training's website. Upon request, this catalog will be distributed via e-mail to any prospective student.

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Mission Statement

The mission of HealthPro EMS Training is to improve the health and well-being of individuals and populations through our innovative educational EMT program. HealthPro EMS strives to implement this mission with the highest professional and ethical standards in a culture of diversity and inclusiveness. We envision sharing our knowledge and expertise by promoting values, attitude and professional behavior in an environment that enables the individual to develop his or her full potential.

Program Eligibility

Prior to the Start of the Program:

- 1. Eligibility for EMT Training: Students who successfully complete the course will be issued an Academic Course Completion Certificate. Those pursuing professional EMT certification must be a legal US Citizen and at least 17 years of age. You may need to meet additional requirements at the time of application for local certification.
- **2. Education:** The EMT Program is a challenging course. Submission of a High School Diploma and/or GED is required to enroll. HPEMT does NOT accept Ability-to-Benefit students.
- **3. BLS Certification**: Provide a copy of your current Basic Life Support CPR card from the American Heart Association (AHA). **No other card will be accepted by the certifying agency.** The card must remain current throughout the duration of the program.
- **4. Articulation:** HPEMT does not have an articulation agreement with other institutions and all students must meet the listed admission requirements.

Prior to the Start of the Clinical Rotations:

- 1. Clinical Orientation: Attendance at Clinical Orientation is MANDATORY.
- Proof of successful passage of a basic physical examination conducted within six (6) months prior to the beginning of the course. The report must be signed by a physician and specify that you have no physical limitations that would impede your participation in any phase of the program. The original document is required.
- 3. Be currently receiving a minimum grade average of 80%.
- 4. Proof of the following immunizations / examinations:
- 5. <u>Hepatitis B vaccine/immunity: Note- If the Hepatitis B vaccine series has been started but not yet completed, proof that you have started the series must be provided. Documentation of HBV immunity (titer) is also acceptable.</u>
- 6. <u>Tuberculosis: A negative TB test or chest x-ray within six (6) months prior to the beginning of the Clinical portion of the course.</u>

Clinical observation hours completed without meeting these requirements or done at locations not authorized by our the EMT Program Director will not be accepted and may subject the student to disciplinary action up to and including termination from the program.

STUDENT SERVICES

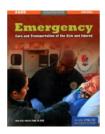
Office Hours

Administrative office hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM- 4:30PM. Administrative support and appointments for make-up exams can be scheduled during these hours. If you are unable to come in during our normal office hours, let us know. We may be able to coordinate an alternate meeting time. If you wish to meet with an individual instructor, contact him/her directly to schedule an appointment. It is the responsibility of the student to seek assistance in a timely manner

Library

Notification of the required text is made prior to a student's registration in the course. HealthPro library is equipped with the manuals required for this course. For the purpose of instructional education, HealthPro has listed all required learning resources necessary to be successful for completion of our program. HealthPro has also listed educational material accessible for use during class and available to be checked out of the library for temporary use. The student will sign out the educational resource on our Library Log. The following resource is mandatory for each student to have prior to the first day of didactic instruction:

Required Textbook and Materials Classroom Courses



Option 1-Emergency Care and Transportation of the Sick and Injured **Includes Navigate 2 Advantage Access**, Eleventh Edition ISBN: 9781284106909

Option 2- Online Access only- includes eBook: Navigate 2 Advantage Access Emergency Care and Transportation of the Sick and Injured, Eleventh Edition, ISBN:9781284106916

Required Textbook and Materials- Hybrid Courses

Option 1-Emergency Care and Transportation of the Sick and Injured Includes Navigate 2 Premier Access, Eleventh Edition ISBN: 9781284110524

Option 2- Online Access only- includes eBook: Navigate 2 Premier Access Emergency Care and Transportation of the Sick and Injured, Eleventh Edition, ISBN: 9781284110531

<u>NOTE</u>: Students are expected to have the above textbook with them during class, either the physical book or the eBook. Students will need to obtain the book on their own. **Students will need computer/internet access outside of class for assignments and exams assigned through Jones & Bartlett Learning. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure computer/internet access for any outside assignments, as HealthPro does not offer such services. All assignments and due dates are outlined in the syllabus at the beginning of the course.**

Educational Resources Available in Student Library

- EMT Skills Made Easy, John M ISBN-13: 978-1549591280
- Anatomy and Physiology, Morris and Odya, ISBN-13: 978-1119345237
- Human Body: An Illustrated Guide to Every Part of the Human Body and How It Works Page, Martyn ISBN-13: 978-0789479884
- Prehospital Emergency Pharmacology, Sixth Edition: Bledsoe, Clayden, ISBN-
- Guide to Physical Examination and History Taking, Ninth Edition, Bickley, ISBN-9781609137625
- Principles of Pathophysiology and Emergency Medical Care, Myers, Neighbors, Johns, ISBN-97801315071
- Human Anatomy and Physiology, Marieb and Hoehn, ISBN-0321743261
- AAOS Emergency Care and Transportation of the Sick and Injured, Student Workbook, 10TH Edition

Transfer of Credit from Another Institution

HealthPro EMS Training has not entered into an articulation or transfer agreement with any other college or university. Therefore, HealthPro does not grant credit of prior experiential learning earned from another training institution and/or college or university. The EMT Program is an intense and challenging course. Any previous education in Health Science or Emergency Medicine will be beneficial to the student, however will not count as credit earned for this course. BLS Certification is the only credential that may be obtained from an outside source.

Transferability of Credits and Credentials Earned at our Institution

The transferability of credits you earn at HealthPro EMS Training is at the complete discretion of an institution to which you may seek to transfer. Acceptance of the EMT Certificate you earn in HealthPro's EMT Training Program is also at the complete discretion of the institution to which you may seek to transfer. If the certificate that you earn at this institution is not accepted at the institution to which you seek to transfer, you may be required to repeat some or all your coursework at that institution. You should make certain that your attendance at this institution will meet your educational goals. This may include contacting an institution to which you may seek to transfer after attending HealthPro EMS Training's EMT Program to determine if your certificate will transfer.

Placement Assistance

Although the program may facilitate information about known vacancies, the program does not offer placement assistance nor is it a guarantee for employment made.

Housing

HealthPro EMS Training does not offer housing nor do we recommend any housing/dormitory facilities. We bear no responsibility to find or assist a student in finding housing. It is up to the prospective students to arrange their own housing while attending this EMT program. According to RentJungle.com, the average cost of a 1-bedroom apartment within a 10-mile radius of Riverside, CA is between \$750-1035/month.

VISA

HealthPro EMS Training does not admit students that are not currently US citizens. It is not the responsibility of HealthPro to check the immigration status of our prospective students. <u>A Department of Justice background check will be required for any EMT wishing to become licensed in various counties in the near future</u>.

Language Services

All instruction and audio/visual aids will be delivered in English. Proficiency in English will be documented by the submission of a High School Diploma and/or GED. **No language services are offered.**

Distance Learning

HealthPro EMS Training does not provide distance education.

Financial Aid

HealthPro EMS Training does not provide financial aid programs in any way. All costs that are associated with the enrollment into our program shall be between the student and their financial institution, if applicable. Title IV- HPEMT does not participate in Federal or State Financial Aid Programs.

If you obtain a loan to pay for an educational program, you have the responsibility to repay the full amount of the loan, plus interest. This is by and between the financial institution(s) from which you obtain the loan and has no relation or legal binding to HealthPro EMS Training. If you obtain a federal or state loan to pay for any portion of your tuition and fees and you default on your loan, both of the following may occur:

- 1. The federal or state government or a loan guarantee agency may take action against the student, including applying any income tax refund to which the person is entitled to reduce the balance owed on the loan.
- 2. The student may not be eligible for any other federal student financial aid at another institution or other government financial assistance until the loan is repaid.

Students with Disabilities

HealthPro EMS Training may provide reasonable accommodations during a program to students with disabilities (including learning disabilities). Reasonable accommodations are defined as accommodations that do not fundamentally alter the program. All students are required to meet the program's enrollment requirements.

If you require special accommodations, you must submit a written request along with your program registration. Upon receipt, you will be contacted by HealthPro personnel to discuss your request and obtain your current disability evaluation.

For assistance with any questions concerning special accommodations, please contact us at (Riverside) (951) 370-1617 or Orange County (949)-328-9928 during normal business hours, or by e-mailing us at info@hpemt.org.

Record Keeping

- HealthPro EMS Training shall maintain records of the name, address, e-mail address, and telephone number of each student who is enrolled in an educational program within this institution.
- Students and alumni should contact the Custodian of Records for copies of records or transcripts, fees may apply.
- HealthPro EMS Training shall maintain, for each student granted a certificate by this institution, permanent records of all the following:
 - The EMT course completion certificate granted and the date on which that certificate was granted.
 - o The courses and units on which the certificate was based.
 - The grades earned by the student in each of those courses.
 - NOTE: All student transcripts will be maintained indefinitely.
- HealthPro EMS Training shall maintain, for a period of not less than five years, at its principal place of business in this state, complete and accurate records of all the following information:
 - The educational programs offered by this institution and the curriculum for each.
 - The names and addresses of the members of this institution's faculty and records of the educational qualifications of each member of the faculty.
 - Any other records required to be maintained by this chapter, including, but not limited to, records maintained pursuant to Article 16.

Approval to Operate

HealthPro EMS Training is a private institution and is approved to operate by the Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education, the Riverside Emergency Medical Services Agency and the Orange County EMS Agency. Approval to operate by the BPPE means that the institution meets the minimum standards contained in the California Private Postsecondary Act of 2009 and Division 7.5 of Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations. Successful completion of this program will allow the participant to apply for the EMT Exam and Certification at the local, state or national level. This institution and its programs are not accredited.

Institutional Disposition

This institution has no pending petition in bankruptcy, is not operating as a debtor in possession, has not filed a petition within the preceding five years, or has not had a petition in bankruptcy filed against it within the preceding five years that resulted in reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C. Sec 1101 et seq.)

Cancellations and Refunds

- Cancellations received through attendance at the first, class session or the seventh day after enrollment, whichever is later, will be eligible to receive a refund, less a \$250.00 administrative fee.
- Any student that cancels an enrollment agreement or withdraws during a period of attendance and who have completed 60% or less of the program shall receive a pro rata refund.
- Refunds may be credited back to the original credit card used for payment or a check may be issued.
- Refunds will be made less any book and supply charges for opened or used books or supplies.
- Administrative fees are non-refundable.
- Students that wish to withdraw from the program must notify the program instructor by filling out a withdrawal form located in the HPEMS office.
- NOTE: The student is entitled to a pro rata refund of nonfederal student financial aid program monies

paid for institutional charges who have completed 60 percent or less of the program. If the student obtains a loan to pay for an educational program, the student will have the responsibility to repay the full amount of the loan plus interest, less the amount of any refund.

Student Tuition Recovery Fund

The State of California established the Student Tuition Recovery Fund (STRF) to relieve or mitigate economic loss suffered by a student in an educational program at a qualifying institution, who is or was a California resident while enrolled, or was enrolled in a residency program, if the student enrolled in the institution, prepaid tuition, and suffered an economic loss. Unless relieved of the obligation to do so, you must pay the stateimposed assessment for the STRF, or it must be paid on your behalf, if you are student in an educational program, who is a California resident, or are enrolled in a residency program, and prepay all or part of your tuition. You are not eligible for protection from the STRF and you are not required to pay the STRF assessment, not a California resident, or are not enrolled in a residency It is important that you keep copies of your enrollment agreement, financial aid documents, receipts, or any other information that documents the amount paid to the school.

> Questions regarding the STRF may be directed to: Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education 1747 N. Market Blvd. Ste 255 Sacramento, CA 95834, (888) 370-7589.

To be eligible for STRF, you must be a California resident or are enrolled in a residency program, prepaid tuition, paid or deemed to have paid the STRF assessment, and suffered an economic loss as a result of any of the following:

- 1. The institution, a location of the institution, or an educational program offered by the institution was closed or discontinued, and you did not choose to participate in a teach-out plan approved by the Bureau or did not complete a chosen teach-out plan approved by the Bureau.
- 2. You were enrolled at an institution or a location of the institution within the 120-day period before the closure of the institution or location of the institution or were enrolled in an educational program within the 120-day period before the program was discontinued.
- 3. You were enrolled at an institution or a location of the institution more than 120 days before the closure of the institution or location of the institution, in an educational program offered by the institution as to which the Bureau determined there was a significant decline in the quality or value of the program more than 120 days before closure.
- 4. The institution has been ordered to pay a refund by the Bureau but has failed to do so.
- 5. The institution has failed to pay or reimburse loan proceeds under a federal student loan program as required by law or has failed to pay or reimburse proceeds received by the institution in excess of tuition and other costs.
- 6. You have been awarded restitution, a refund, or other monetary award by an arbitrator or court, based on a violation of this chapter by an institution or representative of an institution, but have been unable to collect the award from the institution.

7. You sought legal counsel that resulted in the cancellation of one or more of your student loans and have an invoice for services rendered and evidence of the cancellation of the student loan or loans. To qualify for STRF reimbursement, the application must be received within four (4) years from the date of the action or event that made the student eligible for recovery from STRF. As a student whose loan is revived by a loan holder or debt collector after a period of non-collection may, at any time, file a written application for recovery from STRF for the debt that would have otherwise been eligible for recovery. If it has been more than four (4) years since the action or event that made the student eligible, the student must have filed a written application for recovery within the original our (4) year period, unless the period has been extended by another act of law. However, no claim can be paid to any student without a social security number or a taxpayer identification number."

NOTICE: Effective January 1, 2015, the STRF assessment rate was changed to zero (\$0) per \$1,000

Program Information

General Course Description

The EMT Program includes the skills necessary to provide emergency medical care at a basic life support level in accordance with the National Standard Curriculum and the guidelines set forth by the State of California. This course is completely instructor based taught in HealthPro classrooms. This two part course is comprised of a combination of Didactic (Lecture)/Practical (Hands-on Skills) exercises and Clinical Observation (Ambulance Ride-along and/or Hospital Clinical Shifts). The course is a total of 200 hours, with 176 hours of Didactic and Practical Exercises, 24 hours Clinical Observation. The clinical internships require a minimum of 10 patient contacts.

Successful completion of this program requires completion of all course pre-requisites and requirements. Students must maintain an average of 80% on all exams and homework assignments, obtain a minimum score of 80% on the written final exam and have successful completion of all skills evaluations. Upon completion of the course and all requirements, students will receive an EMT Certificate.

Objectives

Upon completion of this program, the participant will be able to:

- 1. Describe the essential elements for the safe and efficient response to the scene of a medical emergency.
- 2. Perform a thorough EMS patient assessment for signs and symptoms of illnesses and injuries.
- 3. Provide prompt and efficient basic emergency care to the sick and injured.
- 4. Safely handle and prepare the patient for transportation.
- 5. Describe the essential elements of safe and orderly transportation of the patient to the hospital and the transfer of patient care to the appropriate hospital staff.
- 6. Apply fundamental knowledge of the EMS system, safety and well-being of the EMT, and medical, legal, and ethical issues to the provision of emergency care.

Campus

The HPEMS Training Program is a classroom-based course taught using lecture, PowerPoint presentation, video presentation and skills demonstration. All relative EMT equipment is provided for skills practice and testing. HealthPro teaches all Riverside classes at our training facility located at: 2900 Adams St. Riverside, CA 92504

and all Orange County classes at our training facility located at: 22600 C Lambert St. Ste. 907 Lake Forest, CA 92630. The training facilities provide a reception and waiting area where prospective students can make inquiries, gather course information, and register for the program. Current students will use this area to signin and seek administrative assistance or guidance, as needed. HealthPro has two classrooms: a classroom for lectures and a room for skills practice and a skills lab. These classrooms will be available during scheduled course times throughout the program. For student convenience, HealthPro has one restroom within the facility. HealthPro also has a small coffee area with the use of a microwave.

Breakdown of Program Cost and Commonly Associated Fees

- 1. **Non-Refundable Registration Fee = \$250** (Due at time of registration)
- **Tuition Balance = \$745.00** 2.

Included in the tuition is the following:

- HealthPro Polo Shirt (Required for wear during class and clinical rotations)
- Usage of any equipment, lab supplies or kits necessary during the course (i.e.- stethoscope, BP cuff, etc.)
- State-imposed assessment for the Student Tuition Recover Fund (STRF), whenever applicable. This fee is included in the tuition for those that are required to contribute (please see the Student Tuition Recovery Fund" section below for requirements). There is no deduction from the tuition for students not required to contribute to the STRF. This assessment is non-refundable. Current assessment rate: Zero (\$0) per \$1,000.00

Not included in the tuition is the following:

- Required access to Navigate 2 with eBook (see Student Services for details approx. \$150-\$350)
- Any additional recommended resources (i.e.- Medical Dictionary, test prep materials)
- Any fees incurred to obtain the required background check (Castle Branch approx. \$55)
- Any fees incurred to obtain the required immunizations and/or CA DL-51 physical examination required prior to clinical rotations. It is the student's responsibility to obtain the required immunizations and medical clearances. HealthPro does not offer any immunization or physical examination services. (Cost will vary depending on the medical provider with which the student chooses to obtain these services, as well as the insurance coverage the student maintains. No moneys will be paid to HealthPro in relation to this requirement. It is advised for students to assess how much these services will cost based on their medical provider of choice and personal insurance coverage prior to signing this enrollment agreement)
- Any examination, certification and/or background check fees required to become certified at the local, state and/or national level (NREMT Written Exam Fee= \$80; County Certification Application= \$35; Live Scan Fee= **\$15 – \$85**)

\$995.00 **TOTAL CHARGES FOR CURRENT PERIOD OF ATTENDANCE:**

TOTAL CHARGES THE STUDENT IS OBLIGATED TO PAY UPON ENROLLMENT: **\$250.00** (Non-refundable)

ESTIMATED TOTAL CHARGES FOR THE ENTIRE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM: \$1295.00

Attendance

Attendance during all phases of the program is extremely important because of the nature of the material. During the program, all lectures and skills are based on material from prior lectures and skills sessions. Without having a strong foundation in this prior material, it is extremely difficult to attain and master the new material or skill. In addition, due to state requirements for EMT training, all EMT programs are required to consist of no less than 136 hours of instruction (including skills sessions) and 24 hours of supervised emergency room clinical or ambulance patient care experience. Therefore, attendance is mandatory, not optional. The following are the attendance requirements expected for students while in attendance of the program:

- 1. Students failing to sign the session attendance sheet will be recorded as absent, regardless if they attended the class. If a student signs for another student, they may be terminated from the EMT Program immediately.
- 2. Any absence requires advance notification to the Program Director, Program Coordinator and/or the Principal Instructor, in writing or by phone. Absences must only be in the event of severe medical illness, family emergency or comparable occurrence. Students who miss more than 16 cumulative hours of class will not be eligible for EMT course completion and may be dropped from the course. If a student is dropped due to attendance and wishes to attend a subsequent EMT program to make-up hours, prior approval must be obtained from the Program Director. Approval is considered on a case-by-case basis.
- **3.** Students who have medical illnesses will be required to show proof from a California licensed physician of said illness.
- **4.** It is the responsibility of the student to obtain the information from any session missed. This must be arranged through the Program Director or Principal Instructor. Additionally, the Program Director may require the student to perform additional assignments to cover information missed.
- **5.** Students arriving more than one hour late to class may be considered absent. This will count as a missed session for the purposes of the attendance policy set forth in item number 2, listed above.
- **6.** Students who sleep in class may be recorded as absent. If you are having trouble staying awake, you are encouraged to stand in the back of the classroom, without obstructing or interfering with other students or the course instruction.
- 7. If an exam is missed due to tardiness or absence, the exam grade will be a zero (0) and the student will still need to pass the exam to progress through the program. To make-up the missed exam, the student must schedule to take the exam during office hours within 1 week of the original exam date.
- **8.** Leave-of-Absence Policy: Any student who is absent for more than 2 (4hr) class sessions without contacting. HPEMS will be dropped from the class. Any student who is absent or will be absent for more than 2 class sessions, has the right to request a leave-of-absence if prior notice is given to HealthPro. All requests must be made in writing; requests are not guaranteed approval. HPEMS will take into consideration extenuating circumstances when deciding whether to approve the request. Leave-of-absences will be granted at the total discretion of HPEMS. If placed on a leave-of-absence, the student will have the option to enroll in the next course available.

Grading Policies and Course Completion

Successful completion of the EMT Program will be contingent upon completion of the following:

- 1. The student successfully passes the final written examination with a minimum score of 80%.
- 2. The student adheres to the attendance policy, completes and submits all course assignments.
- **3.** The student successfully passes all final practical skill evaluation stations.
- 4. The student successfully completes a minimum of 24hrs clinical observation time, with 10 documented

- patient contacts.
- 5. The student completes all pending course requirements within 30 days from the last day of the didactic/Practical phases of the program.

Additionally, students must also complete the following Pass/Fail (P/F) items:

- P/F Course Participation (attendance)
- P/F All Practical (Skills) Exams
- P/F Attendance at mandatory Clinical Orientation Day
- P/F Clinical Observation (minimum 24 hours & 10 patient contacts)

The grading scale is as follows:

98-100%	A+	
94-97%	Α	
90-93%	A-	
87-89%	B+	
83-86%	В	
80-82%	B-	Minimum Passing Grade
77-79%	C+	
75-76%	С	
75-76% 70-74%	C C-	
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NOTE: A minimum score of 80% is required to complete the program and be recommended for certification

The breakdown for grading mandatory assignments in the Program is as follows:	% of Grade
Homework	0%
Quizzes	10%
Block Exam # 1	15%
Block Exam # 2	15%
Block Exam # 3	10%
Midterm	40%
Discussion Board – Participation	5%
Projects	5%
Final Exam	Pass/ Fail
Skills Exam 1	Pass/ Fail
TOTAL	100%

Students who successfully complete all aspects of the course will be recommended for certification. HealthPro EMT Training will issue one course completion certificate. **This is not an EMT certification**, but an acknowledgment of course completion.

Homework

 Assignments are mandatory. To be eligible to take the written final, all assignments must be completed with an overall average of 80%. Students are required to log into Jones and Bartlett Learning to complete homework assignments. Students should read each chapter and complete all assigned chapter homework by the assigned due date. Please refer to your class syllabus for the due dates of these assignments.

Quizzes (10% of total grade)

 Quizzes will be given on a regularly scheduled basis. Quizzes are brief and will test on material covered in a certain chapter or series of chapters. All students must maintain an **overall average** of 80% on these quizzes. If a Quiz is missed because of technical difficulties, please contact your instructor.

• Exams (40% total grade for Block Exams)

O Block exams will be completed in the classroom. The exam will be available through Jones and Bartlett Learning on your electronic device. If you do not have an electronic device available, the exam may be taken in written format. Please refer to your class syllabus for the due dates for these assignments. All students must maintain an **overall average of 80%** on these exams.

• Final Written Exam (PASS/ FAIL)

 The Final exam will be given at the end of the Program. The Final will include all subject areas from the program. The Final will be taken in the classroom on your electronic device. If you do not have an electronic device available, the Final may be taken in written format

• Final Skills Exam (PASS/ FAIL)

- Students must pass all Final Practical Skills Stations. A total of 3 attempts are allowed on practical skills exams. All retakes will be scheduled at the convenience of the instructor
- *Electronic Devices During Testing*. The only electronic device allowed during testing is your device which houses your Jones and Bartlett learning center. Any student caught engaging in any form of academic dishonesty on an exam or the final exam will be immediately terminated from the program. In addition, students must request permission from the proctor to leave the testing area and are only permitted to do so for a restroom break not exceeding 5 minutes. No items are allowed on the desk during testing, including water bottles.
- •Students will be allowed to sit for the final examinations (written and practical) only upon the following conditions:
 - o All assignments have been successfully completed.
 - All exams have been passed with a cumulative average of 80%.

Clinical Observation (May be waived during Covid 19 Pandemic)

To successfully complete the EMT training and be eligible for certification, the student must complete a minimum of 24 hours of clinical observation with a contracted general acute care hospital, operational ambulance provider, and/or rescue vehicle provider. Students must have ten patient contacts during the cumulative 24 hours. Students may need to do several rotations to meet the patient contact requirement. Students must complete their clinical rotations and return their check off forms to the HPEMS office no later than 14 days following the last day of class. Exceptions must be approved by the Program Director or Program Coordinator. Students must also attend a clinical orientation and meet the clinical requirements to be eligible for the ride-along component of the course.

- Completed shift evaluation forms must be signed and dated by both the crew and student for each clinical/field shift attended.
- Completed Clinical Observation (Ride-Along) forms should be given to the Program Coordinator. Be sure to retain a copy for your own records.

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS:

EMT students must wear

- 1. HealthPro issued shirt
- 2. Black EMS style pants with black belt
- 3. Closed-toe, black work EMS style boots (above the ankle)
- 4. Wristwatch with seconds
- 5. Hair must be tied-up or cut-above the collar
- 6. Mustache must not be below corner of lip

The Following is NOT permitted

- 1. T-shirts
- 2. Cut-off pants
- 3. Opened-toe shoes or sandals
- 4. Clothing that is torn, in disrepair, or unlaundered
- 5. Jeans of any color
- 6. Excessive jewelry or hoop-type or dangling earrings (for your protection)

Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Clinical Observation Hours

- a) Can I do more than one rotation?
 - You must complete the minimum requirements for clinical observation hours as established by the program; however, you are welcome to do as many rotations as are available.
 - Availability beyond the minimum requirements will be at the discretion of the contracted hospital, ambulance and/or rescue provider that is providing the observation.
- b) What if I do not get 10 patient contacts within the 24 hour minimum?
 - You will have to go on another clinical rotation.
 - No exceptions are possible; this is a state certification requirement.
- c) If I go on a rotation and reach my 10 total patient contacts do I have to stay for the whole shift?
 - Yes, once you start a shift you have to stay for the duration.
 - On occasion, a shift will be longer due to the nature of the shift work.

Ethics and Standard of Conduct

Due to the high standards of the EMT Education Program and the EMS Profession, student conduct must reflect professionalism, integrity and responsibility. The following section sets forth ethical standards, standards of conduct, and examples of misconduct subject to disciplinary action (including probation or termination from the Program).

Ethical Standards

Students are expected to meet the following ethical standards while in the Program:

- Students must conduct themselves in an ethical manner throughout the classroom and clinical
 phases of the Program. Failure to adhere to these standards may result in termination from the
 Program. Violation of these standards includes, but is not limited to, stealing, cheating, and breach
 of a patient's confidentiality (HIPAA).
- EMTs are health care professionals regardless of whether they receive monetary compensation for their work. Thus, an EMT is bound by the highest standards of professional conduct and ethics. HealthPro EMS Training Program will not tolerate a breach of these standards by its students.

Professional Behavior

The conduct of the EMT student reflects upon the individual, his or her agency, HealthPro EMS Training, and the EMS Profession. The student must conduct him/herself in a professional and responsible manner at all times, as described below:

Appearance. Excellent personal grooming and a neat, clean appearance help instill confidence in patients treated by EMTs. Respond to the scene in neat, clean, and complete uniform or appropriate dress. This will help to effectively portray the positive image you want to communicate. Remember, you are on a medical team. Your appearance can send the message that you are competent and can be trusted to make the right decisions.

Knowledge and skills. To practice as an EMT, you need to successfully complete the training we are providing. In addition, you will also need to know:

- How to use and maintain common emergency equipment, such as suction machines, spinal immobilization equipment, Automatic External Defibrillators, splints, OB kits, and various tools to gain access to the patient.
- How and when to assist with the administration of medications approved by medical control.
- How to clean, disinfect and sterilize non-disposable equipment.
- Safety and security measures for yourself, your partner and other rescuers, as well as for the patient and bystanders.
- The territory and terrain within the service area to allow expedient response to the scene and to the appropriate receiving facility.
- State and local traffic laws and ordinances concerning emergency transportation of the sick and injured.

Physical Demands. Aptitudes required for work of this nature are good physical stamina, endurance, and body condition that would not be adversely affected by frequently having to walk, stand, lift, carry and balance at times in excess of 125 pounds. Motor coordination is necessary because of uneven terrain; the well-being of the patients, EMTs, and other workers must not be jeopardized. Prior to professional employment, all EMT candidates must qualify for a Medical Examiner's Certificate by passing the physical examination specified by U.S. Department of Transportation standards. Because of this standard, this has also been established as a program requirement, which must be met prior to beginning clinical observation hours.

Temperament and abilities. In times of crisis, patients will look toward someone to re-establish order in a suddenly chaotic world. Chances are that someone will be you. It can bring out the best in you as well as cause you a great deal of stress. To be as effective as you can be as and EMT, you should have the following characteristics:

- A pleasant personality. As an EMT you will often be required to perform skills and procedures while speaking in a reassuring and calming voice to a patient who may be agitated, in shock or in a great deal of pain.
- Leadership ability. You must be able to assess a situation quickly, step forward to take control when
 appropriate, set action priorities, give clear and concise directions, be confident and persuasive enough
 to be obeyed, and carry through with what needs to be done.
- o **Good judgment.** You must be able to make appropriate decisions quickly, often in unsafe or stressful situations involving human beings in crisis.
- Good moral character. While there are many legal constraints on the profession, you also have ethical
 obligations. You are in a position of public trust and that cannot be wholly defined by statute or case law
 alone.
- Stability and adaptability. Being an EMT can be quite stressful. Exhaustion, frustration, anger and grief
 are part of the package. You must be able to delay expressing your feelings until the emergency is over.
 Just as important, you must understand that intense emotional reactions are normal and that seeking
 support from coworkers, counselors, friends, and family are important aspects of keeping yourself
 mentally and physically fit.

Misconduct

Students are subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination from the program for misconduct. Misconduct can be defined by, but not limited to, the following:

Academic Dishonesty. All forms of academic misconduct, including but not limited to cheating, fabrication, plagiarism, or facilitating academic dishonesty. For the purposes of this policy, the following definitions apply:

- Cheating: Cheating includes, but is not limited to: the use of unauthorized materials, including any information and/or study aids unless otherwise authorized; leaving the testing area without permission or for a prolonged period of time; helping another student commit an act of academic fraud or dishonesty; or the failure to observe the expressed procedures or instructions of an academic exercise (e.g., examination instructions regarding alternate seating or conversation during an examination).
- **Fabrication**: Fabrication includes, but is not limited to, falsification or invention of any information or citation in an academic exercise.
- Plagiarism: Plagiarism includes, but is not limited to, the use of another's words or ideas as if they were
 one's own; including but not limited to representing, either with the intent to deceive or by the omission
 of the true source, part of or an entire work produced by someone other than the student, obtained by
 purchase or otherwise, as the student's original work; or representing the identifiable but altered ideas,
 data, or writing of another person as if those ideas, data, or writing were the student's original work.
- Other Forms of Dishonesty: Other forms of dishonesty, including but not limited to fabricating
 information or knowingly furnishing false information or reporting a false emergency to the program or
 to program officials.
- **Forgery**: Forgery, alteration, or misuse of any program document, record, key, electronic device, identification is grounds for dismissal. This policy applies to any individual for whom the Program maintains records, regardless of current student status.

- Theft: Theft of, conversion of, misappropriation of, or damage to or destruction of any property of HealthPro EMT Training or property of others while on HealthPro premises or at official HealthPro functions; or possession of any stolen property while on HealthPro premises, or at official HealthPro functions.
- Unauthorized Conduct: Unauthorized possession of, receipt of, duplication of, or use of the HealthPro name, insignia, or seal. Unauthorized entry to, possession of, receipt of, or use of any HealthPro properties, equipment, resources, or services. Selling or distributing course lecture notes, handouts, readers, or other information provided by an instructor, or using them for any commercial purpose, without the express permission of the instructor.
- **Physical Abuse**: Physical abuse, including but not limited to: rape, sexual assault, sex offenses, and other physical assault; threats of violence; or conduct that threatens the health or safety of any person.
- "Fighting Words:" The use of "fighting words" by students to harass any person(s) on HealthPro property, on other property to which these policies apply, or in connection with official HealthPro functions or HealthPro-sponsored programs. "Fighting words" are those personally abusive epithets which, when directly addressed to any ordinary person are, in the context used and as a matter of common knowledge, inherently likely to provoke a violent reaction whether or not they actually do so. Such words include, but are not limited to, those terms widely recognized to be derogatory references to race, ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disability, and other personal characteristics. "Fighting words" constitute "harassment" when the circumstances of their utterance create a hostile and intimidating environment which the student uttering them should reasonably know will interfere with the victim's ability to pursue effectively his or her education or otherwise to participate fully in Program programs and activities. The use of foul language will not be permitted at any time.
- Hazing: Hazing or any method of initiation or pre-initiation activity which causes, or is likely to cause, bodily danger, physical harm, or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to any student or other person.
- **Obstruction or Disruption**: Obstruction or disruption of teaching, research, administration, disciplinary procedures, or other Program activities.
- **Alcohol & tobacco/ drugs**: This is an alcohol and tobacco/ drug free zone. This includes E-Cigarettes, chewing tobacco, marijuana and nicotine gum but does not include nicotine patches.
- **Disorderly Conduct**: Disorderly or lewd conduct.
- **Failure to Comply**: Failure to identify oneself to, or comply with directions of, a HealthPro official or other public official acting in the performance of their duties while on HealthPro property or at official HealthPro functions or resisting or obstructing such HealthPro or other public officials in the performance of or the attempt to perform their duties.
- **Destructive Devices**: Possession, use, storage, or manufacture of explosives, firebombs, or other destructive devices
- **Weapons**: Students with special permits to carry weapons must receive clearance from HealthPro prior to bringing that weapon into any course-sponsored settings.
- **Program Properties**: Using Program properties for the purpose of organizing or carrying out unlawful activity.
- Violations of Law: Violation of Federal, State, or local laws.

NOTE: Students subjected to disciplinary action for misconduct may appeal the sanction as provided in the appeal policy set forth in this manual.

Classroom Decorum

The following HPEMS regulations state expected classroom decorum:

- 1. No open toed shoes are allowed in the classroom or practical skills labs.
- 2. Students should wear clothing that is both professional and practical. All dress should be appropriate for the practical lab setting. This includes properly fitting clothing that provides a full range of body movement without exposing the chest, torso, or buttocks or requiring frequent and/or untimely adjustments. (Closed toed shoes, dark pants and HealthPro polo are acceptable. We recommend bringing a light sweater/jacket, as our classrooms can be a little cooler than some prefer)
- 3. Minimal jewelry worn in the practical labs. Jewelry that may pose a significant risk of snagging or otherwise endangering the wearer or others should not be worn during skills practice. This would include but is not limited to hooped earrings or ear love hoops greater than ½ of an inch in diameter or anything dangling around your neck that may cause a strangling risk.
- 4. No hats are to be worn during class instruction or during skills labs.
- 5. All personal electronic devices (pagers, cellular phones, PDAs, etc.) need to be turned to silent alert mode or turned off during class.
- 6. Internet access is allowed during instructional periods for course work only. Access is permissible during breaks.
- 7. Regularly scheduled breaks will be given throughout the class period. These breaks should be used for returning texts or phone calls, using the restrooms, obtaining snacks or beverages. Disrupting the class for any reason other than an emergency will not be tolerated.
- 8. If students decide to stay during the lunch hour, all food and drink items must be eaten in the classroom or to the outside table area.
- 9. Smoking is not permitted in the building or near its entrances. Smoking is only permitted in assigned areas (Off campus) and proper disposal of cigarette butts should occur.
- 10. Students are not permitted to use facility equipment, including phones, computers, or copiers. Students should not enter any faculty office or area without faculty permission.
- 11. While on breaks, students should respect other students, faculty, and staff. Bear in mind that the facility is used for many other classes and activities.
- 12. Students should respect the physical property of the facility. At the end of all sessions, all student areas should be neat and clean; desks and equipment must be wiped down with the provided disinfectant. Please notify the faculty or staff with any facility issues so that timely maintenance or repair can occur.
- 13. After all breaks, students should return to the classroom or skills groups in a timely fashion.
- 14. Do not prop open, and leave unattended, outside doors.
- 15. Classrooms and equipment are to be put back in their original configuration after skills as directed by the Skills Coordinator or Instructor.
- 16. Bicycles and other similar devices are not permitted in the classroom or building.
- 17. No gum is allowed to be chewed in class at any time.
- 18. All information such as grades, attendance, etc. will only be discussed with the student unless a FERPA

Consent Form was received for a specific family member to obtain this information. However, information can be discussed with the parent / guardian if the student is under 18 years of age.

Disciplinary Action

Students may be placed on Academic or Disciplinary Probation at the discretion of the program. If a student is placed on probation, the student will be notified in writing. A student who fails to comply with the terms of probation will be terminated from the program.

Academic Probation

A student on academic probation may be required to complete additional assignments or tasks, as assigned by the instructor. Grounds for academic probation include, but are not limited to:

- a) Failure of two or more guizzes or exams
- b) Failure to maintain an overall average of 80% on exams
- c) Failure of four or more practical skills stations

Disciplinary Probation

Grounds for disciplinary probation include, but are not limited to:

- d) Failure to comply with the standards of ethics, professional behavior and conduct set forth in this Manual
- e) Failure to comply with the attendance policy
- f) Failure to comply with the dress codes during the clinical phase of training
- g) Failure to comply with the rules of classroom, clinical cite or field station decorum
- h) Failure to comply with the exposure control policy
- i) Failure to meet the documentation requirements of course requisites prior to start of clinical rotations

Termination from the Program

A student may be terminated from the program for not satisfying the academic or disciplinary policies and rules outlined in the Course Catalog, with or without being placed on probation, as follows:

Academic Grounds

- i) Failure to meet academic standards as outlined in the grading policy
- k) Continued academic failures after being placed on academic probation
- 1. Failure to meet all conditions of a remediation program
- 2. Failure to meet course requirements during any phase of the Program

Disciplinary Grounds

- 1. Substantial or repeated violation of the standards of ethics, professional behavior and conduct set forth in this manual
- 2. Repeated absences, tardiness or early departure as outlined in the Attendance Policy
- **3.** Repeated or substantial failure to comply with the rules of classroom, clinical site or field station decorum
- **4.** Continued administrative violations after being placed on administrative probation
- 5. Repeated or substantial failure to comply with the exposure control policy
- **6.** Failure to meet the documentation requirements of course requisites prior to start of clinical rotations

Upon termination, the student will be notified in writing of the reasons for the termination. This documentation will also be placed in the student's file. The Program Director may require an exit interview at the time of termination.

Appeal of Disciplinary Termination

If a student is terminated on disciplinary grounds, he or she may file a written appeal. The appeal must be filed within (10) ten days of the effective date of the termination. It must include an explanation of the circumstances of the termination, and specific and detailed reasons why the student believes the termination was unjustified. The student may also submit any relevant witness statements. An appeal lacking this information will be summarily denied without further action.

Program Faculty will review the appeal and take any action reasonably necessary to reach a decision, including interviewing the student and any relevant witnesses. A decision will be reached on the appeal within 45 days of the date it is filed. The decision will be final and binding.

Grievance Procedure

If you feel that your rights have been violated:

1. Informal Process:

- Notify instructor and or Administrative Faculty
- If unresolved, file a formal complaint

2. Formal Process:

- Send a written complaint to the Program Director, Matthew Chelette (Riverside) or Ros Brown (Orange County).
- If unresolved the Investigative process will continue

3. **Investigation/Decision:**

- HPEMT will investigate grievance & respond within 2 weeks of receiving formal complaint
- If unresolved, file appeal within 5 days of decision

4. Appeal to Board:

- Send a written appeal to HPEMT Board through the Program Director, a decision will be given to the student within 30 days of receiving the written complaint
- If unresolved, send a written complaint to the BPPE
- Appeal to the Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education
- Final disposition

"Any student or any member of the public may file a complaint about this institution with the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education by calling (888)370-7589 or by completing a complaint form, which can be obtained on the Bureau's internet website www.bppe.ca.gov."

Conditions for Re-Enrollment

Re-enrollment or re-entrance will be approved only after evidence is shown to the satisfaction of the program directors that the conditions that caused the student's probation and/or termination have been rectified. A student is not guaranteed re-enrollment into his/her original enrollment program, but if re-enrollment is granted, he/she may have to enroll in the next available program

Voluntary Withdrawal

- 1. A student wishing to voluntarily withdraw from the program must discuss his/her decision with the Program Director in the form of an exit interview.
- 2. All requests for withdrawal must be made in writing and signed with an original signature.

Exposure Control Policy

Students are at risk of exposure to infectious disease during the program because they may:

- Have direct physical contact with patients
- Work with blood (ie. venipuncture) and other body fluids
- Potentially have any contact with blood or other bodily fluids

It is imperative that you report any exposure to HealthPro EMS administrative staff.

Universal or Standard Precautions

Universal or standard precautions must be taken when in contact with patients. Appropriate barrier precautions must be used to prevent skin and mucus membrane exposure to blood and other body fluids.

- **1.** Gloves must be worn for:
 - Touching blood and/or body fluids, mucus membranes or non-intact skin of all patients
 - Protection of cuts or open lesions on the hands (of health the care provider);
 - Gloves must be changed when soiled, torn, or punctured and after contact with each patient.
- 2. <u>Protective eyewear</u> and face masks must be worn during tasks that are likely to generate droplets of blood, saliva, sputum or other body fluids.
- **3.** <u>Protective barriers</u> must be used to minimize the need for emergency mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, such as pocket masks or BVM.
- **4.** <u>Puncture-resistant sharps containers</u> must be used to dispose of needles and other disposable sharp implements.

Clean up of Blood or Body Fluids

Prior to initiating clean-up of any bodily fluids or other potentially hazardous substance, students must report the incident to an instructor during class or practical skills lab or to their direct supervisor during clinical/ridealong sessions. Any potentially hazardous exposure where such a substance enters the body must be immediately reported to the Administrator on call (see "Evaluation of Exposure Occurrences and Follow-up" section on Page 22 of this manual.

- At minimum, gloves must be worn.
- Wipe up any spill with a clean, dry absorbent material, and then discard in biohazard container.
- Vigorously wipe contaminated surface with 10% alcohol, a 1:1000 hypochlorite [bleach] solution, or an equivalent disinfectant, for a minimum of 30 seconds

Safe Work Practices

Students must use safe work practices designed to minimize the chance of exposure to blood borne diseases:

- 1. Students who have, or recently have had, any type of infectious disease should refrain from participatory skills until they are considered well. Examples of diseases include, but not limited to:
 - Open cuts, weeping skin lesions, or sores on face, mouth, or hands
 - Respiratory infection
 - Flu-like symptoms, cough, sore throat, fever
 - Active, acute hepatitis
 - Mononucleosis

- Tuberculosis
- Active infections, ie. herpes, shingles, fungi, conjunctivitis
- COVID-19
- 2. Hands and other skin surfaces (as applicable) must be washed:
 - Before and after direct patient contact.
 - After removal of gloves.
 - After any accidental contamination with blood or other body fluids.
- 3. Students must wear appropriate personal protective equipment according to guidelines set forth by HealthPro EMS Training, the individual hospital clinical site, ambulance company or the Fire/EMS agency.
- 4. Procedures must be performed in such a manner as to decrease the chance of splashing or spraying of blood or other body fluids.
- 5. Reusable instruments contaminated by blood or other body fluids (such as Stethoscopes) must be placed in designated containers containing disinfectant, for a minimum of 10 minutes.

Evaluation of Exposure Occurrences

POLICY

It is the student's responsibility to follow safe work practices and infection control guidelines.

- Should a student be exposed, he or she must report it immediately to HealthPro EMS Administrative personnel.
- Appropriate medical evaluation and testing will be done according to current Centers for Disease Control Guidelines, current medical standard of care for infectious disease exposure, or hospital policy.

PROCEDURE

An Exposure/Injury Report must be written by the exposed student.

- This report should document the route of exposure, the circumstances of exposure, and, if known, the HBV and HIV status of the patient.
- This report must be given to the Program Director or designee within 24 hours or as soon as possible after the occurrence.

LIABILITY

Students of the EMT program are covered by the HealthPro EMT Training general and professional liability policy to the extent that the student is acting in the course and scope of his or her education or training. Additional coverage, and uninsurable events including gross negligence, is the responsibility of the student. The student can purchase private supplemental insurance at his/her own cost.

HealthPro EMS Training Exposure / Injury Report Form

Student Name:		Date Incident Occurred:					
Clinical Site or Ambula	nce Company Address:						
Clinical Site/Ambulance	e Company Telephone #:						
Incident occurred unde	er the supervision of:						
Source of exposure or i	injury:						
Activity being perform	ed:						
Briefly describe what o	occurred*:						
*Be sure to include witness	names and contact information	n. Continue statement on	attachment, if n	ecessary.			
Blood exposures only:	Sent for follow-up testing	g/counseling?	Yes	No 🗌			
Injury only:	Sent to ER/private physi	cian for treatment?	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Location of follow-up:							
If excused from clinical	l/field rotation(s), date au	thorized to return:					
Atta	ch a copy of the exposure	or injury form from th	ne clinical or f	ield site			
What might be done to	prevent similar incidents	from occurring in the f	uture?				
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Student Signature and Date Program Director Signature and Date							

VERIFICATION FOR NREMT AND ISSUANCE OF COMPLETION CERTIFICATES

Students completing the course and submitting all required paperwork on or before the last day of the course will have their course completion verified for the NREMT and Certificates of Completion issued within one week. NREMT Verifications are normally done once a week. If a delay occurs in your verification, it is your responsibility to follow-up with HealthPro to ensure all course requirements have been met, including the clinical component.

Initial Certification and Background Investigation

After a student successfully completes our EMT program, the student receives an EMT Course Completion Certificate. To become certified as a professional EMT, applicants will be required to:

- Successfully complete a certified EMT training course.
- Successfully complete the final practical skills exam.
- Pass the National Registry of EMTs computer adaptive test within 12 months of the last day of class (it is STRONGLY recommended to complete this exam within 30 days of course completion),
- Undergo and pass a background investigation, and
- Meet all requirements as set forth by the local certifying agency for California.

Students will need to complete the online application for the National Registry certifying exam. This may be done **upon successful course completion** by going to <u>www.nremt.org</u>. Upon passing the National Registry examination, a National Registry certification card will be issued, qualifying the graduate for State of California certification. The instructions for this certifying process will be included with the Course Completion Certificate. **Students must be certified by the State of California to work as an EMT in California. National Registry certification alone does not allow you to work in the State of California.**

The certifying process for EMTs in the State of California is completed through the local certifying agency. Our Local Emergency Medical Services Agency (LEMSA) is the Riverside County Emergency Medical Services Agency and the Orange County EMS Agency.

Riverside EMT:

- Riverside County Instructions and policy are available at: http://remsa.us/policy/1202.pdf
- Riverside EMT Application for is available at: https://ca.emsbridge.com/remsa

Orange County EMT:

- OC Instructions are available at: https://www.healthdisasteroc.org/ems/emt/emt_certification
- OC Applications is available at: https://www.oc-meds.org/licensure/public/orangecounty/portal#/login

Applicants will be required to describe on their application for certification any misdemeanor or felony convictions over one's lifetime (including juvenile, expunged or sealed violations). Failure to disclose the required information may result in refusal of certification due to falsification. Conviction of a crime does not automatically mean an applicant is ineligible for certification.

Recertification

Certification as an EMT is valid for two years throughout the State of California. Each certification card will indicate an expiration date. It is the responsibility of the "practicing" EMT to recertify before this two-year period has ended.

In order to recertify, students must successfully complete a prescribed Refresher Course or obtain 24 hours of approved continuing education (CE) for the EMT. In addition to completing a refresher course every two years or meeting the continuing education requirements, EMTs must take the standardized State of California skills exam every two years.

Should the EMT fail to recertify before the expiration date, a two-year grace period is extended for recertification, with additional requirements based upon the length of lapse. During this two- year period, an EMT may *NOT* work as an EMT until the recertification process is completed. Should the two years lapse without successful recertification, the EMT must take the entire primary training program again. Any questions regarding certification should be directed to REMSA (Riverside) at (951) 358-5029 or OCEMS (Orange County) at (714) 834-3500.

Copies of Course Completion

The original copy of your course completion certificate is provided without cost. Persons requesting duplicates will be charged \$15.00 per copy. Make sure that your current mailing address is on file. Certificates mailed to previous addresses may not be forwarded.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND

Which criminal offenses **WILL** exclude an applicant from being eligible for EMT Certification?

- Has been convicted of any sexually related offense specified under Section 290 of the Penal Code
- Has been convicted of murder, attempted murder, or murder for hire
- Has been convicted of two (2) or more felonies
- Is on parole or probation for any felony
- Has been convicted and released from incarceration for offenses during the preceding fifteen (15) years for the crime of manslaughter or involuntary manslaughter
- Has been convicted and released from incarceration during the preceding ten (10) years for any offense punishable as a felony
- Has been convicted of two (2) or more misdemeanors within the preceding five (5) years for any offense relating to the use, sales, possession, or transportation of narcotics or addictive or dangerous drugs.
- Has been convicted of two (2) or more misdemeanors within the preceding five (5) years for any offense relating to force, threat, violence, or intimidation
- Has been convicted within the preceding five (5) years of any theft related misdemeanor

Which criminal offenses **MAY** exclude an applicant from being eligible for EMT Certification?

- Has committed any act involving fraud, intentional dishonesty for personal gain within the preceding seven (7) years
- Is required to register pursuant to Section 11590 (Controlled Substance Offender) of the Health and Safety Code
- Conviction of one (1) misdemeanor within the last five (5) years for a related offense listed within the Health and Safety Code, Section 1798.200

Health and Safety Code Violations 1798.200

Any of the following actions shall be considered evidence of a threat to public health and safety and <u>may</u> <u>result in denial, suspension, or revocation of a certificate or license, or in the placement on probation of a certificate or license holder under this division:</u>

- Fraud in the procurement of any certificate or license.
- Gross negligence.
- · Repeated negligent acts.
- Incompetence.
- The commission of any fraudulent, dishonest, or corrupt act that is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of prehospital personnel.
- Conviction of any crime that is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of prehospital personnel. The record of conviction or a certified copy of the record of conviction shall be considered conclusive evidence of the conviction.
- Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of, or conspiring to violate, any provision of this division or the regulations adopted by the authority pertaining to prehospital personnel.
- Violating or attempting to violate any federal or state statute or regulation that regulates narcotics,

- dangerous drugs, or controlled substances.
- Addiction to, the excessive use of, or the misuse of, alcoholic beverages, narcotics, dangerous drugs, or controlled substances.
- Functioning outside the supervision of medical control in the field care system operating at the local level, except as authorized by any other license or certification.
- Demonstration of irrational behavior or occurrence of a physical disability to the extent that a reasonable and prudent person would have reasonable cause to believe that the ability to perform the duties normally expected may be impaired
- Unprofessional conduct exhibited by any of the followings:
 - Mistreatment or physical abuse of any patient resulting from excess force in excess of what a reasonable and prudent person trained in a similar capacity would use
 - Failure to maintain confidentiality
 - The commission of any sexually related offense under Section 290 PC

Questions related to this process should be directed to the Riverside County Emergency Medical Agency (REMSA) at (951) 358-5029 or Orange County (OCEMS) at (714) 834-. Additional background screening measures may be taken by individual employers as well.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING THE EMT PROGRAM

- 1. How much studying do I need to do? The amount of studying required will depend completely upon the individual. Those who have some medical knowledge or background may grasp material easier than those who do not. The most common hindrance is terminology. Anywhere from 1 to 4 hours per lecture session may be needed.
- 2. When will my phone call or email be answered? All student correspondence is important to us. We will make every effort possible to answer your email or phone message within 24 hours of receiving them, Monday through Friday, not including holidays.
- **3.** How much time do I have to complete my ride-along? Time will be allotted throughout the course to complete the required clinical observation. If you do not meet the requirements before the last day of class, you may request an extension. Students requesting an extension must do so in writing to the Principal Instructor and / or Program Director. Extensions may be granted only under exceptional circumstances.
- 4. When can I get my HealthPro course completion certificate? After you complete the course, including submission of your clinical or ride along, we will begin processing your HealthPro EMT Course Completion Certificate. (See section: Verification of NREMT and Issuance of Certificates of Completion for further details.) You must submit a copy of your Course Completion for certification in the State of California.
- **5.** When can I take the certifying test? You may schedule the certifying examination after you have successfully completed our program. You may apply for certification testing by completing the online application at www.nremt.org. This application will be verified within one week, if all course completion requirements are met. If you are pursuing certification through the NREMT, it is highly suggested to take the National Registry exam within 60 days of your course completion.
- **6. Can I certify out of Riverside County?** With a HealthPro EMT course completion certificate in hand, a student may attempt to attain State certification anywhere in California, through a local certifying

- agency, normally the county Department of Health Services.
- 7. Is my county certification good throughout California? Yes. Individual counties are only allowed to request an additional background investigation above and beyond the one conducted upon initial certification. You may be required to complete additional trainings .This practice will vary from county to county.
- **8. Is my certification good in other states?** EMTs must be certified within the state that they take the initial EMT course. Upon becoming California State certified, an EMT may apply for certification in another state. Approximately half of all states are under the National Registry of EMT. These states require that an EMT is nationally registered upon entering the state. A student may request information regarding National Registry certification by calling the National Registry at (614) 888-4484 or visiting www.nremt.org.

Any questions a student may have regarding this catalog that have not been satisfactorily answered by the institution may be directed to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education at 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 400, Sacramento, CA 95833 or P.O. Box 980818, West Sacramento, CA 95798-0818, www.bppe.ca.gov, (888)370-7589 or by fax (916)263-1897.



MEET THE HEALTHPRO EMS TEAM



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Joan has a Master's Degree in Nursing, specializing in Education. She has over 35 years of nursing and teaching experience.



ROS BROWN, RN, BSN MICN Program Director, Orange County

Ros began his career in 1996 as an EMT and is now a Registered Nurse specializing in management and care of the trauma patient. Ros has various trainings as an EMS educator, and is an NAEMSE Level 1 certified instructor.



Tracy Chelette, MSE
Secretary of the Board,
Office Manager,
Custodian of Records

Tracy has been an elementary school teacher for 16 years. She has earned her BA, a California Teaching Credential, and a Master's Degree in Education from California Baptist University. She also holds an Administrative Credential from APU.



GERALD BATTERSBY, MDMedical Director
Assistant/Skills Instructor

Dr. Battersby is a Board-Certified Internist. He has over 40 years' experience in medicine and professional teaching.



MATTHEW CHELETTE, MSE, EMT-P

Vice-President, Program Director, Riverside, Principal Instructor

Matthew has over 20 years' experience in EMS, working both in management and as a firefighter and paramedic. He is the co-owner of HealthPro EMS Training, Inc. and is the Director and main instructor of the Riverside campus. He holds and MSE and is an elementary school teacher.



ERICA FRANKO, EMTAssistant/Skills Instructor

Erica is an EMT and Medic in the US Army Reserves with over 6 years' experience. Over the last several years, Erica has worked in training/education management and has a strong passion in providing quality training and guidance.