



Emergency Medical Technology Program EMT-Paramedic Clinical Preceptors

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to define the proper procedure for the approval of Paramedics who desire to be Clinical Preceptors to supervise EMT and Paramedic students while they are engaged in clinical rotations.

II. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- A. Clinical Preceptors must be approved by the Program Coordinator and the Program Medical Director.
- B. The Program Coordinator of the approved EMT and/or Paramedic Course is responsible for assuring that all requirements of the Clinical Preceptor Program are met.
- C. The Program Coordinator of the approved EMT and/or Paramedic Course will assure that there is appropriate, objective evaluation of student progress in acquiring the desired competencies and that the Program Clinical Preceptor meets all requirements set forth in this policy.
- D. Individuals currently certified as an EMS Instructor or who hold Instructor status in one or more of the courses listed in Section III, B below, may be approved as a Program Clinical Preceptor with written approval of the Program Coordinator and Program Medical Director.

III. PREREQUISITES

- A. Current certification as a Paramedic with a minimum of two (2) years advanced life support experience. Preceptor candidates with less than two years of Paramedic field practice may be granted provisional preceptor status based on their previous EMT experience and years of emergency service.
- B. Current certification in the American Heart Association Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Provider Course, Pre Hospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS) **or** International Trauma Life Support (ITLS) and Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) **or** Pediatric Education for Pre-Hospital Professionals (PEPP).
- C. Letter of recommendation from EMS employer representative (either Operations, Education or Clinical Manager) is preferred and may be requested for verification of qualifications.
- D. Complete an initial Clinical Preceptor orientation session approved by the Program Coordinator and then other updates as deemed necessary by Program policy.
- E. Periodic completion and submission of student evaluations when requested are mandatory requirements in order to maintain current Preceptor status.
- F. Active involvement with the entire educational process and remain in good standing with all concerned parties.
- G. The currency of all EMS Preceptors will be subject to a renewal process every 2 years.