

Western Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee

Title: Credentialing Skills Policy	Effective Date: October 12, 2001 Page: 1 of 2
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Policy:	<p>As a part of the delegated medical authority of the WREMAC Emergency Medical Technicians, using ALS skills and techniques, within the Western Regional Emergency Medical System area are required to comply with credentialing requirements of their Medical Director, and the WREMAC, as prescribed in the WREMAC’s Advanced Life Support Protocols and policies.</p> <p>Credentialed is defined as “a factor entitling one to confidence, credit, or authority.” [1].</p> <p>Each EMT must have the confidence of, and authority by, their Medical Director to perform any / all Advance Life Support skills listed in the “WREMAC Continuing Medical Education Requirements”.</p>
Procedure:	<p>The EMT will demonstrate to his / her Medical Director or designee each skill listed in the “WREMAC Continuing Medical Education Requirements” once within each six month period (January – June and July – December) each calendar year. The EMT must produce documentation to their Medical Director or designee showing they are current in the didactic programs of New York State EMS and AEMT Certification, ACLS, Trauma Life Support, and Pediatric Life Support as listed in the “WREMAC Continuing Medical Education Requirements”.</p> <p>Each Medical Director or designee must maintain files containing the above documentation for each EMT and AEMT.</p> <p>It is also important to note that because of the practical skills portion of these classes, no on-line (internet based) courses that do not require a “hands-on” approach will be accepted. All courses must include a practical skills section requiring “hands-on” practice.</p>
Reference:	<p>[1] – Webster’s II New Riverside University Dictionary and WREMAC Minutes June 2003</p>

Continuing Medical Education Requirements

▶ To be demonstrated twice a year ◀

	CFR-D	EMT-D	EMT-I	EMT-CC	EMT-P
ACLS - *1				X	X
TLS - *1			X	X	X
PLS - *1			X	X	X
CPR - *1	X	X	X	X	X
Protocol Exam - *2			X	X	X
Epi Pen		X	X		
Neb. Alb.		X	X		
Needle Cric. - *3				X	X
Adult ET			X	X	X
Adult NT			X	X	X
Pediatric ET			X	X	X
Needle Thor. - *3				X	X
AED / Defib.	X	X	X	X	X
EJC - *3			X	X	X
IV			X	X	X
IO - *3			X	X	X
NG - *3				X	X
EP				X	X
SC				X	X

*1 Didactic Programs required every three years, or equivalent training approved by Medical Director is acceptable

*2 Protocol Exam required for initial certification and with every protocol change

*3 Demonstration required only if credentialed to use the skill

ABBREVIATIONS:

ACLS - Advanced Cardiac Life Support Course

Adult ET - Adult Endotracheal Intubation

Adult NT - Adult Nasotracheal Intubation

AED / Defib. - Automatic External Defibrillator / Defibrillation

EJC - External Jugular Cannulation

EP - External Pacing

Epi Pen - Epinephrine Pen / Auto Injector

IO - Intraosseous Infusion

IV - Peripheral Intravenous Access
Including Saline Traps

Neb. Alb. - Nebulized Albuterol

Needle Cric - Needle Cricothyrotomy

Needle Thor - Needle Thoracostomy

NG - Naso/Oro Gastic Tube

Pediatric ET - Pediatric Intubation

PLS - Pediatric Advanced Life support Course or

Pediatric Intermediate Life Support Course

SC - Synchronized Cardioversion

TLS - Trauma Life Support Course

BTLS or PHTLS