



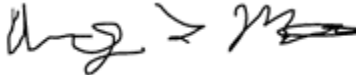
EMS Information Bulletin 2026-01

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SUBJECT: Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) Course (Non-Department of Health)

TO: PA Regional EMS Directors
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Individuals 16 years of age and older, who have successfully completed a program from the National Ski Patrol Outdoor Emergency Care, an organization not accredited by the Pennsylvania Department of Health as an EMS Institute, (under §1025.1, Accreditation and operational requirement of EMS education institutes) are eligible to register for the emergency medical responder proficiency examination process.

Individuals who possess a current, valid course completion certification from the National Ski Patrol Outdoor Emergency Care, in addition to professional healthcare level cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card/certificate approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Health, are also eligible to register for the emergency medical responder proficiency examination process.

Candidates with a passing score on the Pennsylvania Psychomotor Examination administered by a Pennsylvania Regional EMS Council; a passing score on the computer- based cognitive (written) proficiency examination through the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT); and which meet all Pennsylvania requirements for EMR certification; are eligible for Pennsylvania certification through the proficiency examination process.

Should you have any questions, please contact your local Regional EMS Council or Bureau of EMS Education Manager Timothy Reitz at timreitz@pa.gov