

Mountain Lakes Regional EMS Council

Credentialing Policy and Procedures for Advanced EMT's

This policy outlines the process for New York State certified Advanced Life Support (ALS) technicians to obtain "solo on-line" status within the Mountain Lakes Region.

Process for newly certified NYS ALS technicians / ALS technicians offline for longer than one year:

- Complete a Mountain Lakes ALS Credentialing Internship Application and submit a head shot photo to facilitate the processing of a photo ID.
- Take and pass a Mountain Lakes Regional protocol exam.
- Complete requirements for their level of care as outlined below under the direct supervision of an approved preceptor.
- Once all requirements are completed, submit a "solo" application packet with photocopies of all PCRs (with blacked out patient information) as well as original copies of all preceptor evaluation forms.
- If deemed necessary, meet with the medical director for testing.

Once the Mountain Lakes office receives the "solo" application packet, it will be reviewed for completeness and forwarded to the provider's Medical Director for his or her approval if necessary.

Upon approval from the medical director, Council staff will notify the provider and a new ID Badge & regional ALS key will be issued.

Process for providers who are "on-line" with surrounding regions:

- Complete a Mountain Lakes ALS credentialing "solo" application packet and submit it with a letter of good standing from the other region and agency as well as a head shot photo to facilitate the processing of a photo ID.
- Take and pass a Mountain Lakes protocol exam if coming from a region with different protocols.
- If deemed necessary, meet with the medical director for testing.

Once the Mountain Lakes office receives the "solo" application packet and all required items, it will be reviewed for completeness and forwarded to the provider's Medical Director for his approval if necessary.

Upon approval from the medical director, Council staff will notify the provider and a new ID Badge & regional ALS key will be issued.

All ALS internships must be completed within one year. Those who fail to complete the internship within one year must re-apply.

Internship requirements for Advanced EMT, Critical Care, Paramedic levels:

Medical Directors may choose to evaluate the provider's knowledge and skills prior to signing off on their "solo" application. They may also choose to waive and/or alter any portion of the criteria listed below if they feel that it is appropriate and necessary.

The Advanced EMT Level (AEMT):

- Be in charge (must be shown on PCR) on at least 5 Advanced EMT level calls.
- Successfully obtain IV and/or IO access at least 3 times.
- Successfully perform Supraglottic Airway Device placement at least once (can be simulated with medical director or their designee if unable to obtain in the field).
- Successfully administer CPAP therapy at least once (can be simulated with medical director or their designee if unable to obtain in the field).
- Successfully establish contact with online medical control (signal 600) at least once.

The Critical Care Level (CCT):

- Be in charge (must be shown on PCR) on at least 5 Critical Care level calls.
- At least 3 separate calls must involve administration of CCT level medications via IV / IM / IN. One credit given per patient.
- Successfully obtain IV and/or IO access at least 5 times.
- Successfully perform an ET Intubation and/or Supraglottic Airway Device at least once (can be simulated with medical director or their designee if unable to obtain in the field).
- Successfully administer CPAP therapy at least once (can be simulated with medical director or their designee if unable to obtain in the field).
- Successfully establish contact with online medical control (signal 600) at least once.

Paramedic Level:

- Be in charge (must be shown on PCR) on at least 5 Paramedic level calls
- At least 3 separate calls must involve administration of Paramedic level medications via IV / IM / IN. One credit given per patient.
- Successfully obtain IV and/or IO access at least 5 times.
- Successfully perform an ET Intubation and/or Supraglottic Airway Device at least once (can be simulated with medical director or their designee if unable to obtain in the field).
- Successfully administer CPAP therapy at least once (can be simulated with medical director or their designee if unable to obtain in the field).
- Successfully establish contact with online medical control (signal 600) at least once.