

# **CERTIFIED EMERGENCY PARAMEDIC**

## **PURPOSE OF THE JOB**

To provide Basic and Advanced Life support and emergency medical techniques to those in need of assistance; To provide a continuous level of critical care Paramedic services and Advanced Cardiac Life Support care to critically ill and/or injured patients being transported by ambulance; To operate and maintain assigned ambulance and station; To participate in continuing education and training relative to medical and industry advancements.

## **WORK PERFORMED:**

Duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Provide pre-hospital emergency care according to established medical protocols.
- Perform triage and a variety of emergency medical treatments at the Basic and Advanced Life support level. Provide continuing care and treatment while enroute to an emergency medical facility; monitor and report changes in patient condition.
- Under medical direction and following prescribed standing orders perform a variety of invasive and non-invasive therapies including but not limited to assessment and evaluation of the ill and injured, cardiopulmonary resuscitation and defibrillation, administration of drugs, agents and solutions, intubation and pulmonary ventilation, drawing of blood samples for analysis, application of dressing and bandages, control of shock, and immobilization of fractures, and all other skills contained within the state of Arizona scope of practice for Paramedics.
- Operate emergency vehicles in normal and emergency traffic; transport patients to hospitals.
- Perform a variety of emergency medical treatment services at the basic and advanced life support levels.
- Employ safe lifting and moving techniques. Maintain ambulance vehicle, equipment and station.
- Handle radio communications during emergency and non-emergency situations professionally.
- Document patient contact, condition, treatments, and outcome in electronic patient care report.
- Wear and maintain a uniform (provided by the company) including a badge and name tag
- Perform related duties as assigned.

## **WORKING CONDITIONS (GENERAL)**

- Work is performed indoors, outdoors, and within the confined space of an ambulance.
- Physical effort involves - for indefinite periods of time - mobility within an office and field environment; walking; twisting; stooping; standing; climbing; squatting; sitting; pushing; pulling; lifting up to 150 pounds; reaching above shoulder level; grasping; fine finger manipulation for writing and use of a personal computer; operation of Advanced Life Support equipment; operation of an emergency vehicle.
- Employee may be exposed to infectious diseases, Infectious waste, chemicals, dust/mites, fumes, and odors. Exposure to cold, heat, and temperature fluctuations

## **SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:**

### **MINIMUM EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED TO PERFORM THE JOB:**

- High School Diploma or GED.
- Successfully completed Paramedic training course.

### **KNOWLEDGE OR SKILL PROFICIENCIES:**

- Approved medical protocols, standing orders, policies and procedures.

- Techniques of proper drug administration.
- Medical terminology and abbreviations.
- Emergency driving techniques.
- Vehicle and equipment maintenance.
- Infectious disease universal precautions and decontamination of ambulance and equipment.
- Work a 12 or 24 hour shift
- Understand and carry out oral and written directions.
- Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.
- Respond to directions from supervising personnel
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with co-workers and supervisory staff
- Maintain sufficient personal health and physical fitness to perform all job duties.

#### **REQUIRED LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS AND RECERTIFICATION:**

- Possess state of Arizona paramedic certification
- Possess National Registry certification as a paramedic
- Current Advanced Cardiac Life Support
- Current Pediatric Advanced Life Support
- Healthcare provider CPR
- Valid Arizona driver's license

#### **CONTINUING EDUCATION:**

- Must maintain yearly CE hours within current National Registry and base hospital guidelines
- Must exercise professional initiative to stay current with new drugs and treatment procedure guidelines.

**NOTE: All positions at Arizona Ambulance Transport require documentation of employment eligibility in accordance with Federal regulations.**