

Policy Name: Recertification for Mobile Critical Care Nurse

Policy Number: 6.4.7-020113

PURPOSE: To establish requirements necessary for all applicants seeking recertification and authorization to continue to be credentialed and practice at the Mobile Critical Care Nurse level.

POLICY: To ensure consistent standards and procedures for recertifying as a Mobile Critical Care Nurse (MCCN) in West Virginia.

PROCEDURE/REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Meet all requirements for recertification for Paramedic as well as meet the following requirements:
- B. Apply for recertification between September 30 and December 31 prior to the end of the applicant's certification period.
- C. Apply in a format prescribed by the Commissioner.
 1. By completing either an online application or a current updated paper application.
- D. Submit the appropriate fees as required in §64 CSR 48-6.9.
- E. Continuously meet all requirements for EMS personnel as described in §64 CSR 48.
- F. Possess current, unrestricted RN license in West Virginia.
- G. Disclose any limitation or exclusion by any EMS agency, EMS Medical Director, or any other healthcare profession certification or licensing authority in any state, territory the U.S. Military Services.
- H. Possess a valid CPR certification prescribed by the Commissioner.
- I. If applicant **does not** have approved fingerprints on file, then the applicant must:
 1. Have applied for and been cleared by the State and National background checks for WVOEMS including, but not limited to the following as required in WV Code §16-4C-8.1.1:
 2. State and National Criminal background check as directed by the WVOEMS in compliance of WV Code §16-4C-8.1.
 3. Child support status.
 4. Sexual offender registries.
 5. Federal or State medical practice exclusions or limitations.

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- J. Complete an Education Determinate Evaluation for Paramedic to identify educational, or performance weaknesses that may need additional educational opportunities. There will be no passing score required on this evaluation.
- K. Flexible education requirements will be based upon performance on Education Determinate Evaluations. Topics also may vary dependent upon educational standards, performance measurements and medical direction topic emphasis as well as other requirements as directed by the Commissioner.

Flexible Topics

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Course #</u>
Cardiovascular		
Airway/Respiratory		
Trauma Assessment		
Medical Assessment		
Pharmacology		
Neurological/Stroke		

- L. Specialized Required Education:

<u>Special Topics</u>	<u>Hours</u>
WVOEMS approved MCI Awareness and Operations or higher	6 hours (one time requirement)
HazMat Awareness training meeting OSHA 1910.120 or higher standards	4 hours yearly

- M. Successfully complete all skills evaluations as required by WVOEMS.

CCT Biennial Skills Evaluation

<u>Skills/Techniques</u>
Advanced Chest Decompression
Advanced Secondary Airway Devices
Surgical Airway
RSI/Intubation
Ventilator Management/Capnography
Medication Calculations
12-Lead ECG Interpretation
Transvenous Pacing
Oral Case Presentations

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CCT Continuing Education Record

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Lab and X-Ray interpretation	2
Pharmacology	2
Respiratory Management	2
Cardiac Management	2
Shock Management	2
Pediatric Management	1
OB/GYN Management	1
CNS Neurological Management	1
Invasive Monitoring	1
CCT Trends and Special Topics	2
Total	16

N. Meet other requirements established by the Commissioner.

APPLICABLE CODE/RULE: WV Code §16-4C-6, §16-4C-8, and §64 CS 48-6.

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Approved:

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