

RN to MCCN Certification Policy

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RN to MCCN/Paramedic Policy and Procedures

PURPOSE: To establish requirements necessary for applicants who presently hold a a valid license as a Registered Nurse to be authorized and credentialed to practice as a Mobile Critical Care Registered Nurse and a West Virginia Paramedic.

POLICY: To ensure consistent standards and procedures for those Registered Nurses desiring to gain certification as a Mobile Critical Care Registered Nurse and Paramedic in West Virginia.

PROCEDURE/REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Apply for certification by completing an online application at www.wvoems.org
- B. Submit the appropriate fees as required in WV 64 CSR 48-6.9.
- C. Be 18 years of age or greater.
- D. Disclose any limitation or exclusion by any EMS Agency, EMS Medical Director, or any other healthcare professions certification or licensing authority in any state, territory or the U.S. Military Services.
- E. Apply for and be cleared by State and National background checks for WVOEMS as required in WV 16-4C-8.1.1: (RN Board Background Check may substitute for this requirement).
- F. Create a valid Continuum account.
- G. Possess a current, unrestricted RN License in West Virginia or possess a current, unrestricted RN License in any state that participates in the Enhanced Nursing Licensure Compact (eNLC) for greater than 3 years in an ER or ICU setting.
- H. Possess a current ACLS certification.
- I. Possess a current ITLS or PHTLS (TNCC will be accepted in place of these courses for initial certification as a paramedic), and PEPP or PALS certification.
- J. Possess current or documented former certification as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) in WV or any other US state or territory, or successfully complete the following:
 - 1. EMT Basic Modules: Scene Safety, Scene Size-Up, Operations, or complete the NAEMT Safety course
 - 2. EMT-B practical skills examinations

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- K.** Successfully complete NREMT ALS evaluation. The process is as follows:
 - 1. Create a NREMT account or log in to your existing account
 - 2. Go to the “CBT Candidate” link Click on “Create Certification Application”
 - 3. Select your level as “Assessment-(ALS?)” then click “Next”
 - 4. On the next page, there are two boxes: “State Office” and “Reason for Test”
 - 5. Select “WV” as the state and then select “Other” as the “Reason to Test”
- L.** Successful initial and annual completion of Hazmat Awareness Training meeting OSHA standard 1910.120 or higher.
- M.** Successfully complete a WVOEMS approved MCI Awareness and Operations program.
- N.** Successfully complete an approved CPR refresher course meeting WV 64 CSR 48-6.8.a.4. Applicant must show proof of current valid CPR certification.
- O.** Successfully complete WVOEMS ALS Protocol In-Service training.
- P.** Complete an approved Critical Care Transport Provider training program.
 - 1. Complete all skill requirements as outlined in the RN to Paramedic skill sheet and document completion on the appropriate form.
- Q.** Complete and submit the RN to MCCN/Paramedic Initial Certification Education Record.
- R.** To remain certified as a WV MCCN/Paramedic RNs must maintain a current, unrestricted Registered Nurse license in West Virginia or possess a current, unrestricted Registered Nurse license in any state which participates in the Enhanced Nursing Licensure Compact (eNLC) and by following and meeting all requirements set forth within the Mobile Critical Care Recertification Policy.
- S.** Meet the other requirements as may be established by the Commissioner.

This policy replaces all previous policies for RN to Paramedic (Non-MCCN) initial certification

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

RN to MCCN/Paramedic Initial Certification Record

Educational and Other Requirements		Date
WVOEMS Online Application		
Pay Fee		
Disclose any Limitation or Exclusion (Applicant Must Initial if N/A ____)		
Create a Continuum Account		
Create a NREMT Account		
Current Unrestricted WV RN or eNLC State License		
Current CPR Certification		
Current ACLS Certification		
Current ITLS (OR) PHTLS (OR) TNCC Certification		
Current PEPP (OR) PALS Certification		
Circle One, Adding Certification Number as Appropriate: EMT-B (Former or Current) Certification Number _____ (OR) EMT Modules: Scene Safety, Scene Size up and Operations (OR) NAEMT Safety Course		
WVOEMS or NREMT BLS Skills Exam Completed		
NREMT ALS Assessment Exam Completed		
RN to MCCN/Paramedic Initial Certification Record Completed		
Training Officer Name	Signature	
Medical Director Name	Signature	
Applicant Name	Signature	