## **Appendix G**

## **EMT RECERTIFICATION REQUIRED CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS**

## **NATIONAL REGISTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Preparatory -1 hour **Suggested Courses:** - Roles and Responsibilities - Well-being of the Emergency Medical Technician - Medical Direction - Quality Improvement

- Personal Protection

Mandatory Core Content – 24 hours total

- Scene safety
- Medical/Legal
- Human Anatomy
- Lifting and Moving

**Airway** 2 hours

**Suggested Courses:** 

- Basic Airway Management
- Oxygen Delivery Systems and Technique
- Oxygen Therapy
- Adjuncts

**OB, Infants & Children** 

2 hours

**Suggested Courses:** 

-Obstetrical Emergencies, Gynecological Emergencies, Childbirth and Complications, Care of the Newborn, Assessing the Pediatric Patient, Medical Emergencies in Pediatric Patients, Airway Management in Pediatric Patients, Trauma Emergencies and Care in Pediatric Patients

Patient Assessment 3 hours

Suggested Courses:

- Scene Size Up, Primary Survey, Vital Signs and History Taking, Assessment of Trauma Patients, Assessment of Medical Patients, Secondary Assessment, Communications, Documentation

Medical/Behavioral 4 hours

**Suggested Courses:** 

- General Pharmacology, Respiratory Emergencies, Environmental Emergencies, Acute Abdominal Emergencies, Diabetic Emergencies, Allergic Reactions, Poisoning and Overdose, Behavioral Problems

Trauma 4 hours

**Suggested Courses:** 

- Management of Shock, Bleeding/Wounds, Soft Tissue Injuries, Musculoskeletal Injuries, Chest Trauma, Injuries to Head and Spine, Burns

Electives 8 hours

**Suggested Courses:** 

- Emergency Driving, HAZMAT, Ambulance Operations, Incident Command System

\*Some states require the traditional refresher course and will not accept continuing education hours. Please refer to your state's particular requirements.

Additional EMS-Related Continuing Education-48 hours. The following are maximum hours per course that can be applied towards Additional EMS-Related Continuing Education hours:

A maximum number of 24 hours can be applied from any one topic area

Hour-for-hour credit can be applied for standardized courses (including, but not limited to, ABLS, ACLS, AMLS, EMPACT, EPC, ITLS, PHTLS, PALS, PEPP, etc.)

A maximum number of 12 hours can be applied from each of the following courses: Teaching CPR - Emergency Driving - Dispatch Training

A maximum number of 24 hours can be applied from distributive education towards this section and must be state or Commission on Accreditation for Pre-Hospital Continuing Education (CAPCE) (Formerly known as CECBEMS) approved.

Credit can be applied for college courses that relate to your role as an EMS professional (1 college credit = 8 hours of continuing education, not to exceed 24 hours per topic). For example, but not limited to anatomy, physiology, biology, chemistry, pharmacology, psychology, sociology, statistics, etc.

Hours from the following courses can be applied hour-for-hour with no maximum: EMS Course Instruction, and Wilderness EMS Training.

Courses that Cannot Be Applied towards Additional Continuing Education Hours: Clinical Rotations, CPR, EMR Course, instructor courses, management/leadership courses, performance of duty, preceptor hours, serving as a skill examiner, and volunteer time with agencies.

## **COLORADO STATE EMT CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

- **1 hour** Preparatory content including scene safety, quality improvement, health and safety of EMS providers, or medical legal concepts
- 2 hours OB patient assessment and treatment
- **2 hours** Pediatric patient assessment and treatment
- **6 hours** Trauma patent assessment and treatment
- **5 hours** Patient assessment
- **3 hours** Airway assessment and management
- **6 hours** Medical/Behavior emergency patient assessment and management
- **11 hours** Elective content relevant to the practice of emergency medicine

**TOTAL = 36 hours every 3 years**