### BLENDED On Line EMT Program

The profession of pre-hospital emergency medicine services is an honorable one. And, all through this system, in a modern form, has only been around since the 1960's, it's roots can be traced back to roman times.

The number of credentialed EMS agencies in the United States is 19,437, of those 65% of them provide first response and transport services of sick and injures patients.

This means two things, first there is a need for pre-hospital care providers and second, there are job openings in this profession.

Great Brook academy has been a provider of EMS education since 1995 in New Hampshire. During that time our core curriculum has undergone a variety of changes and updates to facilitate better delivery. Great Brook academy was also one of the first to utilize blended online technology as part of its core curriculum. This is where your desire to learn a new profession and our passion for providing excellence in education come together.

Great Brook academy is proud to offer a comprehensive online EMT course curriculum that meets the strict national and state educational guidelines and your busy life style.

This program is intended for the non-traditional adult learner. It caters to students who lead complete lives and who have many responsibilities to home, family, their jobs and more. The student who despite all that, wants to be a part of and participate in the world of pre-hospital emergency medicine as an emergency medical technician.

As the name indicates, this is an online, blended program. Students will receive a host of robust lectures, activities, knowledge checks and much more via your online classroom. This will be paired with face to face comprehensive labs at our physical campus location. This program is designed to allow students to progress at their own pace, in most cases, independently from the other students in the program.

### What will you need?

- 1. Students will be required to have a desktop, laptop or tablet device that should also include a web-cam.
- 2. Students must have a reliable internet connection.
- 3. Students must have the capability of filming themselves doing practical skills practice and then uploading that footage to our online classroom.
- 4. Students must have reliable transportation in order to attend the comprehensive skills labs as well as field clinical rotations.
- 5. Students must be able to read and write as research papers and forum posts are required at a high school level.
- 6. Students must be physically fit to lift and carry a minimum of 150 lbs. up and down stairs.
- 7. Students must possess a strong motivation to learn and an ability to work both independently and as a group.

This program requires student to complete course competencies both online and during comprehension skills labs. This means self- guided and self- paced work in the online environment. Each of these competencies is required for successful program completion.

# What is my time commitment?

The average emergency medical technician program is approximately 180 hours in length. More than half those hours will be spent working independently with our online environment. You should plan on one to two hours at a time when you enter the online classroom in order to properly complete activities, assignments and lectures. The remainder of the time will be spent in your comprehensive labs with instructors and other students.

# How do I stay on track?

Online programs are not for everyone. And it is up to you to determine if this environment will work for you. For many it gives them the flexibility they need to complete education and obtain certifications around their busy schedules. The

system is broken down into chapters, each chapter has program competencies that the student must complete. Those competencies consist of lectures, review activities, knowledge checks and assignments such as forum posts, research papers, or skills practice. Each time a competency is completed it is logged into the online gradebook and updates the overall program completion tracker. You can check either of those areas 24/7 to see your overall status and program progression.

### What if I have difficulties with competencies?

Great Brook academy's online EMT program has a course coordinator who oversees the progress of every one of our students. They will contact you, and if you are experiencing difficulties, will put you in touch with a learning coach who specializes in the area of concern. The learning coach will contact you and work one on one with you to help you navigate your issues and concerns.

## Each lab day has the following elements:

## Teaching Time:

Instructor greets everyone, answers questions, and facilitates appropriate discussions with students.

# Project Time:

Students will all practice certain skills together and watch other students demonstrate their skills to be able to watch and learn from. Students will be tested for proficiency when they indicate they are ready. Projects may also consist of students working in teams and treating simulated patients during scenario based learning.

How is the total time of the program distributed?

Online Classroom Time = 112 hours Comprehensive Lab Time = 84 hours Hospital Fieldtrip Time = 4 hours

Ambulance clinical rotations = 10 hours

(minimum time)

Total course time = 210 hours

Students are required to complete ALL of the online elements and competencies in order to receive credit for the online work and environment. Failure of the student to complete any of the assigned work online will result in an in-eligibility to take the final testing process for the program.