

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

Overview

Short-term Training Certifications

PURPOSE: The Community College Workforce Alliance works in partnership with Reynolds and Tyler Community Colleges to serve students with a fast track to the workforce with training and credentialing programs that can be completed in weeks or months. CCWA offers workforce training and certifications in transportation and logistics, construction and trades, customer service, health care and manufacturing. These programs are supported through state-funded tuition assistance available to all Virginians, making Short-term Training Programs low cost or no cost. Short-term Training Programs also offer career coaching and job connections.

OCCUPATIONAL OBJECTIVES: Short-term Training credentials prepare students for entry-level careers in high-demand occupational fields offering good starting wages – many with benefits and promotion opportunities.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: There are no admissions requirements. Tuition assistance is available to all residents of Virginia, regardless of income. Classes may be free to those qualifying for additional financial aid.

PROGRAM NOTES: In certain industries, prior convictions may prohibit employment. Drug testing and a pre-employment physical may be required for some occupations. Some companies may have minimum age requirements for select positions.

Course Descriptions

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The Virginia EMT program is based upon the Virginia EMS Education Standards. Virginia certification requires successful completion of a standardized cognitive and psychomotor skills examination. This course is designed to train individuals to serve as a vital link in the chain of the health care team. This includes all skills necessary to provide emergency medical care as an attendant-in-charge with a basic life support ambulance service or other specialized rescue service. For Virginia trained EMT, successful certification at the National Registry EMT level will automatically lead to a Virginia EMT certification. National Registry EMT certified technicians trained outside of Virginia must apply for Virginia certification before being allowed to practice at this level. After receiving Virginia credentials, the EMT has the option to maintain National Registry EMT certification without affecting their Virginia certification; however, Virginia certification must be maintained in order to provide patient care at this level.