

EMS Information Bulletin 2018-13

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SUBJECT:

Out-of-State EMS Providers - PA EMS Educational Institute Clinical & Field Experience

TO:

Regional EMS Education Coordinators

Regional EMS Directors EMS Educational Institutes

EMS Agencies

EMS Providers & Candidates

FROM:

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The purpose of this EMS Information Bulletin, is to clarify the requirements for non-Pennsylvania certified Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians (AEMTs), serving as Paramedic students in recognized Pennsylvania accredited EMS Educational Institutes.

28 Pa. Code § 1023.27 (b) (2) requires students participating in clinical and field internships at Pennsylvania hospitals and EMS Agencies to be certified as an EMT or an AEMT by the department, or possess an equivalent certification issued by another state.

Effective July 1, 2018, all students applying for Paramedic programs within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, must apply for and receive Pennsylvania Emergency Medical Technician or Advanced Emergency Medical Technician certification prior to practicing patient care skills in recognized Paramedic clinical and field internships.

Please contact your regional EMS council for additional information and assistance with the registration process.