

PARAMEDIC

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This position is responsible for responding to emergency medical requests to evaluate quality and quantity of aid required and supply assistance. The employee in this position must be certified as an EMT-Paramedic and possess the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician certificate issued by the New York State Department of Health. The Paramedic is required to have the ability to provide assessment and treatment of patients requiring pre-hospital emergency medical care in a wide variety of emergent conditions and environmental uncontrollable settings as part of a paid ambulance service within Greene County. The required duties of this position are performed in accordance with the New York State Department of Health Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (NYS DOH BEMS) and under the direction of a medical director. Depending on the municipality employed by, the Paramedic works under the general supervision of the Ambulance Administrator or Chief of Emergency Medical Services, with leeway allowed for independent judgment involving the performance of basic and advanced medical procedures to access, stabilize, evacuate and transport a patient to an appropriate medical facility's emergency department. Does related duties as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative Only) The examples of duties listed below are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work performed. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related to the position

Operates a specially equipped vehicle responding to medical emergencies and assists emergency services personnel in the provision of basic and advanced life support services;

Skilled in all aspects of emergency vehicle response, level specific medical care and other related EMS specialties including the principles of incident management systems and unified command;

Patient advocacy, integrated teamwork, maturity, professionalism and skilled oral and written communications with receiving physicians, nursing staff and EMS operations and leadership personnel are essential;

As an EMS team member, assists in all patient care activities by cooperating with other public safety support agencies;

Completes appropriate patient treatment documentation and other reports as required by policy;

Ensures that duty equipment and vehicles are ready for emergency use;

Attends meetings, seminars and in-services to stay current in duty position;

When employed by the Town of Catskill, attends the Town's Ambulance Services Quality Assurance Program;

Participates in organizational outreach and public relations events.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of basic and position specific advanced emergency medical care; Thorough knowledge of UHF/VHF radio communication equipment; Thorough knowledge of the operation of medical and basic EMS equipment utilized for the provision of pre-hospital emergency medical care; Thorough knowledge of the principles and practices of emergency medical services, customer service principles, patient advocacy and incident management; Skill in the operation of an emergency vehicle; Skill in establishing and maintaining effective working relationships with other staff and members of other emergency services; Skill in performing strenuous work under all weather conditions including emergency situations; Skill in map reading and navigating to call locations under stress and time constraints; Ability to utilize computers as required for documentation of patient treatment and billing information; Ability to exercise independent judgment, remembering numerous details and quickly recall essential information; Ability to identify and meet the needs of the patient, family and support agencies; Ability to communicate professionally in a manner that conveys compassion, care and concern for the patient and family.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Graduation from high school or possession of high school equivalency diploma AND current possession of Advanced Emergency Medical Technician certification issued from the New York State Department of Health (A-EMT-4, EMT-Paramedic)

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS AT THE TIME OF APPOINTMENT:

- ❖ Possession of a valid Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) card
- ❖ Possession of a valid New York State Driver's License with no more than four (4) violation points

In addition, Candidates must successfully complete a certified Emergency Vehicle Operation Course during the first year of employment.

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