

	<p style="text-align: center;">SOUTHERN FOX VALLEY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM POLICY & PROCEDURES</p>				
<p>TITLE: EXPANDED SCOPE EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS</p>					
<p>SECTION: EDUCATION AND LICENSURE</p>			<p>POLICY NUMBER: C-32.0</p>		
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PURPOSE:

To establish educational requirements for the expanded scope Paramedic and Pre-Hospital Registered Nurse.

POLICY:

1. Education, Certification, and Experience;
 - a. Initial Education:
Documentation of initial education and demonstrated competencies of expanded scope of practice skills as required by Department of Public Health Title 77, Chapter I, Part 515, Section 515.860 and approved by the Department of Public Health in accordance with the EMS System Plan.
 - b. Continuing Education Requirements:
 - i. Annual competencies of expanded scope of practice knowledge, equipment and procedures shall be completed; and
 - ii. The EMS vehicle service provider shall maintain documentation of competencies and provide the documentation to the EMS Resource Hospital upon request.
 - c. Certifications: Expanded Scope provider shall maintain all renewable critical care certifications and credentials in active status:
 - i. American Heart Association Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS);
 - ii. American Heart Association Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS); and
 - iii. One of the following: International Trauma Life Support (ITLS) or Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS).
 - d. Experience:
 - i. Minimum of one year of experience functioning in the field at an ALS level (not part of the expanded scope crew, unless they are functioning as a third provider that is with the patient in the back with an expanded scope provider), and
 - ii. Documentation of education and demonstrated competencies of expanded scope of practice skills required as outlined in this policy.

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