

**Certification, Recertification
Emergency Medical Services Attendant-RN, PA, and FN**

Initial Certification - EMSA-RN, PA, and FN

Personnel qualify for certification as an EMSA-RN, PA, FN by meeting the following requirements:

- Complete the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Application and Signature Attachment Sheet.
- Obtain proper signatures of EMS Agency's Official Director (as appears on agency license) and the Agency's Medical Director.

- Attach a copy of current drivers license.
- Attach a copy of current CPR Card.
- Be professionally licensed as an RN or PA by the State of WV-copy of license required.
- Be affiliated with an West Virginia Licensed EMS Agency.
- Current ACLS certification-copy of card required.
- Current BTLs or PHTLS -copy of card required.
- Current PALS certification-copy of card required.
- Current CPR certification-copy of card required.
- Current EMT-B certification-copy of card required or:
- 8 hour EMS orientation (from DOT EMT-P Curriculum).
 - Prehospital environment (0.5 hours)-signature of squad medical director.
 - Roles and responsibilities (0.5 hours)-signature of squad medical director.
 - EMS systems (0.5 hours)-signature of squad medical director.
 - Medical legal considerations (0.5 hours)-signature of squad medical director.
 - Rescue operations (1.0 hours)-signature of squad medical director.
 - Major incident response (0.5 hours)-signature of squad medical director.
 - Stress management (0.5 hours)-signature of squad medical director.
 - Personal hazardous materials (4.0 hours)-signature of squad medical director.

- 48-hour paramedic refresher course (ACLS, BTLs and PALS accepted in lieu of all but 16 hours) 48-hour refresher course documentation sheet must be provided.

- Successfully pass state EMT-P recertification written and practical exam (practical is not available "on demand", must be taken as part of a scheduled recertification exam)-signature of regional program director and medical director required.

- 10 completed ALS perceptual runs -signature of certified EMT-P required.
- 5 completed IV cannulations in prehospital or ED environment-signature of certified EMT-P or ED nurse manager.
- 5 completed advanced airway management education and skill sessions_signature of EMS agency medical director or appointed preceptor required.
- Completion of regional requirements, i.e. medical command rotation, protocol exam, etc.-signature of regional program director required.
- EMSA-FN must have specialized aeromedical knowledge and skills course-signature or initials on course outline.
- **Submit forms to the appropriate WV EMSTSN Field Office.**

Recertification-EMSA-RN, PA, and FN

- Complete the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Application and Signature Attachment Sheet.
- Obtain proper signatures of EMS Agency's Official Director (as appears on agency license) and the Agency's Medical Director.
- Attach a copy of current drivers license.
- Attach a copy of current CPR Card.
- Be affiliated with an West Virginia Licensed EMS Agency.
- 2 years squad personnel may be recertified by:
 - Successful completion of a forty-eight (48) hour DOT National Standard EMT-P refresher course.
 - Completion of an additional twenty-four (24) hours of continuing education in EMS related topics.
 - EMSA personnel affiliated with an agency that qualified for two year certification must also submit a skill evaluation form completed by the squad or county medical director that has been approved by the WV OEMS.
- 4 years squad personnel may be recertified by:
 - Successful completion of a forty-eight (48) hour DOT National Standard Curriculum EMT-P refresher course or:
 - Successful completion of an additional eighty-five (85) hours of continuing education in EMS related topics.
 - Successfully complete both the written and practical examination with a score of 70% or higher.
- EMSA personnel shall apply for recertification during the last year of their certification period, but no later than ninety (90) days prior to the end of their period. Therefore, all recertification application packets must be received by October 1 of the last year of certification. Failure to apply for recertification in a timely manner may result in the individual not being renewed before their current certification expires.
- **Submit forms to the appropriate WV EMSTSN Field Office.**

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EMSA-DO AND EMSA-MD**

Doctors of Osteopathy and Doctors of Medicine licensed by the State of West Virginia interested in an EMSA certification should contact the West Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services.