EMS Information Bulletin 2018-12

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SUBJECT: Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) Courses (Non-Department of Health)

TO: Regional EMS Education Coordinators
    Regional EMS Directors
    EMS Agencies
    EMS Providers

FROM: Bureau of Emergency Medical Services
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Individuals 16 years of age and older, who have successfully completed one of the following programs from an organization not accredited by the Pennsylvania Department of Health as an EMS institute, (under § 1025.1, Accreditation and operational requirements of EMS educational institutes) are eligible to register for the emergency medical responder assessment examination process:

1. American Red Cross Emergency Medical Response
2. American Safety and Health Institute Emergency Medical Response
3. National Ski Patrol Outdoor Emergency Care
4. American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons – Emergency Care & Safety Institute Emergency Medical Responder

Individuals who possess a current, valid certification card or certificate from one of the agencies listed, in addition to a professional healthcare level cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) card/certificate approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Health, are also eligible to register for the emergency medical responder assessment examination process.

Candidates with a passing score on the psychomotor (practical) examination through a Pennsylvania Regional EMS Council; a passing score on the computer-based cognitive (written) assessment examination through the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT); and who meet all Pennsylvania requirements for EMR certification; are eligible for certification through the assessment process.

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