

100092.04 Hospital Clinical Education and Training for Paramedic

(a)

An approved paramedic training program shall provide for and monitor a supervised clinical experience at a hospital(s) that is licensed as a general acute care hospital and holds a permit to operate a basic or comprehensive emergency medical service. The clinical setting may be expanded to include areas commensurate with the skills experience needed. Such settings may include surgicenters, clinics, jails or any other areas deemed appropriate by the LEMSA. The maximum number of hours in the expanded clinical setting shall not exceed forty (40) hours of the total clinical hours specified in Section 100092.06(a)(2).

(b)

Hospital clinical training, for an approved CCP training program, should consist of no less than ninety-four hours (94) in the following areas: (1) Labor & Delivery (8 hours), (2) Neonatal Intensive Care (16 hours), (3) Pediatric Intensive Care (16 hours), (4) Adult Cardiac Care (16 hours), (5) Adult Intensive Care (24 hours), (6) Adult Respiratory Care (6 hours), and (7) Emergency/ Trauma Care (8 hours).

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(c)

An approved paramedic training program and/or CCP training program shall not enroll any more students than the training program can commit to providing a clinical internship to begin no later than thirty (30) days after a student's completion of the didactic and skills instruction portion of the training program. The paramedic training program course director and/or CCP training program course director and a student may mutually agree to a later date for the clinical internship to begin in the event of special circumstances (e.g., student or preceptor illness or injury, student's military duty, etc.).

(d)

Training programs, both paramedic and CCP, in nonhospital institutions shall enter into a written agreement(s) with a licensed general acute care hospital(s) that holds a permit to operate a basic or comprehensive emergency medical service for the purpose of providing this supervised clinical experience.

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Paramedic clinical training hospital(s) and other expanded settings shall provide

clinical experience, supervised by a clinical preceptor(s). The clinical preceptor may assign the student to another health professional for selected clinical experience. No more than two (2) students shall be assigned to one preceptor or health professional during the supervised clinical experience at any one time. Clinical experience shall be monitored by the training program staff and shall include direct patient care responsibilities, which may include the administration of any additional medications, approved by the LEMSA medical director and the director of the Authority, to result in competency. Clinical assignments shall include, but are not to be limited to, emergency, cardiac, surgical, obstetric, and pediatric patients.