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<b>POLICY:</b>	<b>400.05 PRE-HOSPITAL REGISTERED NURSE (PHRN)</b>		
<b>APPROVAL:</b>	VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES; MANAGER OF EMS:		
<b>EFFECTIVE DATE: 2/16/2024</b>			<b>ORIGINAL EFFECTIVE DATE: 08/16</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT SPECIFIC</b>		<b>EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES</b>	

**I. PURPOSE:**

To define the scope of practice and qualifications of the Pre-Hospital Registered Nurse (PHRN) to function in the Morris Hospital Emergency Medical Services (EMS) System and as prescribed by Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH).

**II. POLICY:**

**A. Qualifications:**

1. Valid license in the State of Illinois as a professional registered nurse.
2. Current American Heart Association BLS (CPR) Healthcare Provider card.
3. Current American Heart Association Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support provider card.
4. Current American Heart Association /American Academy of Pediatrics Advanced Life Support provider card.
5. Current Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support or International Trauma Life Support provider card.
6. Successful completion of System-approved PHRN course, as prescribed by the Illinois Department of Public Health and as approved by the EMS Medical Director of the Morris Hospital EMS System.
7. Complete a minimum of 10 ALS runs supervised by a licensed physician, an approved PHRN or a Paramedic, only as authorized by the EMS Medical Director.
8. Current PHRN licensure by IDPH.
9. Complete all applicable requirements for entry into the System.

**III. SCOPE OF PRACTICE:**

The PHRN role is a collaborative one for registered nurses specifically prepared in the delivery of out-of-hospital/pre-hospital care with other pre-hospital/out-of-hospital providers and healthcare professionals that are encountered in the pre-hospital/transport environment. In accordance with the Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Systems Act, the scope of practice of the PHRN is based on the PHRN’s knowledge, education, experience, and licensure as a Registered Professional Nurse as defined by the Illinois Nurse Practice Act. The PHRN’s scope of practice includes initiating the nursing process and following the EMS Standard Operating Procedures as approved by the EMS Medical Director.

