NORRIS HOSPITAL	POLICY:	400.08 EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN-PARAMEDIC (EMT-P) AND PRE-HOSPITAL REGISTERED NURSE RENEWAL PROCESS		
	APPROVAL:	VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES; MANAGER OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)		
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I. Purpose:

To define the requirements and process for EMT-Paramedic and Prehospital Registers Nurses (PHRN) to relicense through Morris Hospital EMS System (MHEMSS).

II. Policy:

It will be the responsibility of the individual EMT-P/PHRN and/or their System provider agency to ensure efficient and effective monitoring of CE hours during this 4-year re-licensure period. Requirements for license renewals are delineated in the Rules and Regulations set forth by the IDPH (Illinois Department of Public Health).

- A. The EMS Medical Director will process the paramedic's/PHRN re-licensure with the IDPH upon documentation of the following:
 - 1. A minimum of <u>100 hours</u> of Continuing Education, seminars and workshops, addressing both adult and pediatric care, is required for the 4-year re-licensure period.
 - 2. A current CPR card in compliance with AHA guidelines.
 - **3.** A current ACLS card in compliance with AHA guidelines (If primary in MHEMSS, and or working for an ILS/ALS agency)
 - **4.** A current PALS card in compliance with AHA guidelines (If primary in MHEMSS and or working for an ILS/ALS agency)
 - 5. A completed Child Support and Felony Conviction Statement must be made on-line at ILLINOIS IDPH WEBSITE using the PIN provided by IDPH and last 4 of your SS# along with a renewal fee set by and payable to IDPH on-line via credit/debit card. Please submit a hard copy of child support felony conviction statement with other required documents.
- **B.** All re-licensure requirements shall be submitted at the same time. Always keep identical copies of everything for your own records.
- **C.** Upon re-licensure, the EMT-P/PHRN must submit a copy of their current EMT-P license to the System Office and their Agency EMS Coordinator.
- **D.** An EMT-P/PHRN who fails to meet all requirements will not be recommended for relicensure unless the EMT-P/PHRN submits a written request for an extension prior to license expiration to the EMS Medical Director, who files by form to the IDPH for a final ruling. If the request is granted, the EMT-P/PHRN will have until the end of the extension period to meet all requirements for re-licensure.
- **E.** At any time prior to the expiration of the current license, an EMT-P may revert to the EMR (Emergency Medical Responder) status, EMT-B or EMT-I status for the remainder of the license period. The EMT-P is required to submit their original license and voluntary reduction request in writing to the System who forwards to IDPH. To relicense at the EMR, EMT-B or I level, the individual must then meet the re-licensure requirements of that level.
- **F.** An EMT-P who has reverted to EMT-B or EMT-I status may be subsequently relicensed as an EMT-P, upon the recommendation of the EMSMD who has verified that the

individual's knowledge and clinical skills are at an active EMT-P level, and that the individual has completed any retraining, education or testing deemed necessary by the EMSMD for resuming EMT-P activities. An EMT-P who has reverted to EMR status may NOT be re-instated to their previous EMT level, but would need to re-complete the respective EMT training programs.

- **G.** Any EMT-P, whose license has expired, **within 60 days** after license expiration, may submit all re-licensure material as required in this part and a fee set by and payable to Illinois Department of Public Health, in the form of a certified check or money order. If all material is in order and there is no disciplinary action pending against the EMT, the System will submit a transaction card to the IDPH.
- H. Any paramedic whose license has expired for a period of more than 60 days but less than 36 months may apply for "<u>REINSTATEMENT</u>" with their EMS System. This reinstatement shall include submission of all re-licensure material as required in this policy, plus a fee set by and payable to IDPH in the form of a certified check or money order, and in addition to the items listed below. If all material is in order and there is no disciplinary action pending against the paramedic, the System will approve and sign the Paramedic's IDPH License Reinstatement Application form and forward to IDPH. The applicant would still need to take and pass an IDPH test for the level of EMT license sought to be reinstated.
 - 1. The provider will be required to produce a valid CPR card and 100 hours of CE
 - 2. At the discretion of the EMS Medical Director, the provider may be required to produce a valid ACLS and PALS card
 - 3. Pay for and submit a State of Illinois background check via ISP.
 - 4. 16 hours of ED clinical time with Medical Director
 - 5. Paramedics will take and pass with a >80% score:
 - **a.** A EKG strip test and a medical math test
 - **b.** A 100 question EMT-P general knowledge written exam
 - c. A 50 question Region 7 SMO (most recent) exam
 - **d.** A skills evaluation exam scored on NREMT-P guidelines
- **I.** Any EMT whose license has expired for a period of **more than 36 months** shall be required to reapply for licensure, complete the training program and pass the test, and pay the fees as required for initial licensure.

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