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SUBJECT: Paramedic Training Program
Student Eligibility

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I. PURPOSE

To establish the minimum Paramedic Training Program student eligibility requirements

II. POLICY

A. To be eligible to enter an approved Paramedic Training Program, an individual shall meet all the following requirements:

1. Possess a high school diploma or GED certificate
2. Possess a current Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Card (Health Care Provider/Professional Rescuer or equivalent)
3. Possess and maintain a current California Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), or Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) certificate, or be currently registered as an EMT-Intermediate with the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT)
4. Have the equivalent of at least six months full-time experience in the provision of emergency care in the prehospital setting as an EMT, AEMT, or EMT-Intermediate
5. Pass, by predetermined standards, a pre-entrance examination
6. Meet requirements of affiliated clinical or field agencies which may include, but not be limited to:
 - a. Appropriate criminal background check
 - b. Immunizations
 - c. Drug screens

B. The minimum requirements identified in this policy shall not preclude paramedic training programs from requiring additional prerequisites, admission procedures, etc., as part of the application process.