

Subject: Training
First Responder Training Structure & Instructor Qualifications

Associated Policies:

- I. Authority and Reference (incorporated herein by references)
 - A. Division 2.5 of Health and Safety Code
 - B. North Coast EMS Policies and Procedures
- II. Purpose
To establish qualifications for sponsoring a First Responder Training Program, and to articulate the teaching and management structure and instructor qualifications of a North Coast EMS approved program.
- III. Training Program Qualifications
First Responder Training Programs may be sponsored by any of the following institutions:
 - A. Accredited universities and colleges, school districts, regional occupational training programs, and private post-secondary schools.
 - B. Medical training units of a branch of the Armed Forces or Coast Guard.
 - C. Licensed general acute care hospitals.
 - D. Agencies of government.
 - E. Public safety agencies.
 - F. Local EMS agencies.
 - G. Private organizations with a recognized role in first aid or prehospital care training.
- IV. Each First Responder Training Program is required to provide for the functions of administrative direction, medical quality assurance and actual program instruction. One or more persons, as qualified and approved in writing by North Coast EMS, are required to be responsible for the following specific functions:
 - A. A First Responder Training Program shall have a Program Director who is qualified by education and experience in methods, materials, and evaluation of instruction, or is an administrative officer within the sponsoring institution.
 - B. A First Responder Training Program shall have a Principal Instructor who, at a minimum:
 - 1. Must be a currently certified EMT-I, and
 - 2. Must have at least two years of experience in the practice of prehospital emergency medical care in the last five years.

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- C. A First Responder Training Program may have one or more Teaching Assistants, who are qualified by training and experience to assist with teaching of the course.

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