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EMS/EMD Licensing Guide

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Introduction

The New Mexico EMS Bureau is obligated by state statute to protect the public by verifying that EMS providers applying for initial licensure, reciprocity licensure, or renewal demonstrate competence through appropriate education, training, and field experience. This ensures that all licensed EMS professionals are prepared to deliver high-quality patient care. The NMDOH EMS Bureau works in collaboration with New Mexico's accredited training institutions, Medical Directors, EMS Service Administrators, Training Coordinators, and providers to continuously improve the processes for initial licensure, reciprocity, and recertification. The goal is to make each pathway more efficient and to reduce the administrative burden on EMS personnel. The purpose of this guide is to serve as a resource for EMS agencies, Training Coordinators, Medical Directors, and providers as they navigate the processes for initial licensing, reciprocity licensing, and license renewal.

The State of New Mexico uses a Licensing Portal for all individual EMS providers and agencies for issuance of permits, certifications, and licensure. All EMS providers will use the NM EMS Licensing Portal to update personal information, apply for certifications and licensure, and renew current certifications or licensure. The State of New Mexico EMS Bureau relies on the provider's email address listed in the NM EMS Licensing Portal as the primary source of communications.

There are currently 6 levels of EMS licensure in New Mexico.

1. Emergency Medical Dispatcher (EMD)
2. Emergency Medical Dispatcher Instructor (EMDI)
3. First Responder (FR)
4. EMT Basic (EMT-B)
5. EMT Intermediate (EMT-I)
6. EMT Paramedic (EMT-P)

Initial Licensing

Initial Licensing refers to the licensing process for Individuals seeking to become licensed for the first time as an EMS provider or to become licensed again after more than two years without an EMS license. Applicants are to initiate their licensure through the NM EMS Licensing Portal.

New users or applicants to the New Mexico EMS system will need to create an account in the Licensing Portal. Use the "**Create Account**" button on front page of the portal. The applicant will need to enter their legal name and requested information to help determine eligibility for licensure. Once registered in the portal, the applicant will be emailed with login information.

To obtain full licensure, applicants must successfully complete a NM EMS Bureau-approved EMS Provider licensing examination within six attempts. The first examination attempt must occur within 12 months of completing the education program. All licensing examination requirements must be successfully completed, and a New Mexico EMS license issued, within 24 months of the course completion date.

Selecting an Application Type

Initial licensure applicants must select the appropriate level they are applying for. After making their selection, the applicant will be prompted to enter information necessary to start the application process.

The application-level options are:

- Initial Application for EMS License (FR, EMT-B, EMT-I or Paramedic level)
- Initial Application for the Emergency Medical Dispatcher (EMD)
- Initial Application for Emergency Medical Dispatcher Instructor

Completing the Application Sections

Applicants will need to fully complete each of the following sections:

- Applicant information and demographics
- Course Completion Certificate from an accredited NM EMS program: Applicants must provide evidence of course completion and show that they have passed the appropriate National Registry exam for their level.
- Agency affiliation and certification cards
- Corrective Action/Criminal History
- Payment Information/Disclaimer & Signature

All applicants must upload a **current CPR certification** from a bureau-approved entity. **Paramedics** must also upload a **current ACLS certification**.

Cost

For **licensure cost** and instructions on how to pay, please see the section of this guide covering payment processes.

Examination Locations and Scheduling

To schedule the state licensure test call 1-833-796-8773.

Application Changes

Please note that once the application has been submitted, the applicant will no longer have access to their application. Applicants should not create a second application; if they need to make changes, they are to call 1-833-796-8773 for assistance.

Reciprocity Licensing

Reciprocity licensing refers to applying for NM EMS Licensure when licensed in another state.

Individuals who hold a current EMS license in another state and are seeking New Mexico EMS licensure should begin the licensure process through the New Mexico EMS Licensing Portal.

New users to the New Mexico EMS system need to create an account in the Licensing Portal. Use the "**Create Account**" button on front page of the portal. The applicant will need to enter their legal name and required information to help determine eligibility for licensure. Once entered, the applicant will be emailed login information.

Selecting an Application Type

Reciprocity applicants will select "**Reciprocity Application for EMS License**" to begin submitting their application. Applicants should then follow the instructions in the portal to provide the necessary information for their application. Once an online application has been processed and approved, applicants will be issued a 6-month temporary license. To obtain full New Mexico EMS licensure, applicants must successfully complete the required 16-hour transition course and pass the New Mexico state licensing examination within six months of being issued a temporary license. Paramedics do not need to take a transition course but must pass the state paramedic-level licensing exam.

Applicants who have obtained a temporary license and have verified affiliation with a New Mexico EMS agency may be eligible for an alternative process for demonstrating competency. Applicants meeting these criteria should contact the New Mexico EMS Bureau for additional information and instructions.

Completing the Application Sections

Applicants will need to fully complete each of the following sections:

- Applicant information and demographics
- Certification cards: All applicants must upload a current CPR certification from a bureau-approved entity. Paramedics must also upload a current ACLS certification.
- Corrective Action/Criminal History
- Verification Form from State of Licensure
- Payment Information/Disclaimer & Signature

Transition Courses

EMT-B and EMT-I providers will need to complete a 16-hour, New Mexico taught transition course and take the New Mexico state licensing exam within six months of obtaining their temporary license. New Mexico's EMS Scope of Practice for EMT-B and EMT-I providers is broader than that of many other states, so a transition course ensures that providers have full knowledge and awareness of protocols and procedures that may be specific to New Mexico.

Paramedics do not need to take a transition course but must take the state paramedic-level licensing exam within six months of obtaining their temporary license. They should be prepared for both clinical questions and questions on all aspects of New Mexico EMS Scope of Practice.

Examination Locations and Scheduling

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Application Changes

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National Registry in New Mexico

New Mexico does not require EMS providers to maintain an active National Registry of EMTs (NREMT) certification for license renewal or reciprocity However, **NREMT certification alone does not qualify an individual for New Mexico licensure by reciprocity.** Applicants seeking reciprocity must hold a current EMS license issued by another U.S. state or territory.

The reciprocity process helps ensure that applicants meet New Mexico training requirements and understand the New Mexico EMS Scope of Practice before being licensed in the state.

Renewal of Licensure

Renewing New Mexico EMS license requires meeting all licensure renewal requirements, including completing the necessary number of continuing education (CE) hours based on licensure level. The New Mexico EMS Bureau does not require a traditional refresher course for renewal. The goal is to maintain a straightforward renewal process while still verifying that each licensee has retained and strengthened their knowledge and skills.

EMS providers are NOT required to maintain a National Registry of EMTs (NREMT) certification as a requirement for a New Mexico EMT license or license renewal.

Applying for Renewal

EMS providers seeking to renew their license should initiate their renewal of licensure through the NM EMS Licensing Portal. Currently licensed EMS providers in New Mexico need to login to their existing portal account. If the applicant has ever held a New Mexico State EMS License (any level) they will already have an account. **Applicants should NOT create a new account. Duplicate accounts are deleted on a regular basis**.

Forgot Login

If the applicant has forgotten their username or password, they can locate or reset their login information in the Licensing Portal using the "**Forgot**" feature. If an email address is no longer correct, it can be updated in the field under "**Username Found."** If the applicant is still having login issues, they can contact the New Mexico EMS Licensing Manager at 833-796-8773 for account assistance.

Selecting an Application Type

Before selecting the type of application, the applicant should review and update all their personal information previously entered in the system. After the applicant has logged

in, they should select "**Profile**" under "**My Account**" to review and update personal information. Then they can select "**Applications**" to begin applying for renewal. **Renewal applicants** should select the "**EMS Provider Renewal/Late Renewal/Reinstatement Application**" to begin submitting their application.

All applicants should follow the instructions in the portal to provide the necessary information for their application. Once an online application has been processed and approved, applicants will receive their new or renewed license via email. **Physical licenses are no longer sent through the mail.**

Application Sections

- Applicant Information and Demographics
- CE Course Completion Certificate from an accredited NM EMS program
- Agency Affiliation and Certification Cards
- Corrective Action/Criminal History
- Education Verification (CE Documentation)

All applicants must upload a **current CPR certification** from a bureau-approved entity. **Paramedics** must also upload a **current ACLS certification**.

Audit Status for Renewals

Emails are typically sent in December to notify applicants of their audit status. If you receive an audit email, you will need to upload all Continuing Education (CE) documents earned between 01/01/2025 and 03/31/2027. To upload: log in → go to "**Education**" → "**My Report**" → click the green plus sign to add documents.

Payment Information

If the applicant is choosing to pay online via ACH, they will receive a link to pay once their Service Director and Medical Director have verified affiliation and medical direction.

Workforce Survey

The **Workforce Survey** collects information about EMS providers in New Mexico and their employment and intentions for the future. These data are important to understanding trends in the EMS workforce in New Mexico.

Examination Locations and Scheduling

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Application Changes

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Verification of Competency by Medical Directors

For EMS providers that **work for a New Mexico EMS Service**, the Medical Director will receive an email asking them to complete the online Verification of Competency form.

For those that **work for a non-EMS agency** (such as a hospital, urgent care, or racetrack/casino), the agency's Medical Director must sign the Verification of Competency Form. The signed form must be uploaded into your Renewal application. If you do not currently have medical direction, you may still apply for a limited license.

Agency Affiliation

Your Service Director will automatically receive an email asking them to verify your agency affiliation. If you are not affiliated with an agency, you will not need to perform this step.

Renewal Fees

For licensure cost and instructions on how to pay, please see the section of this guide covering payment processes.

Re-Entry Licensing

Basic, Intermediate, and Paramedic Re-Entry Requirements

Re-entry Licensing applies to EMS providers who are outside the renewal and reinstatement period, but whose license has expired within the past two years. **To be eligible they must meet the following requirements:**

- Within 12 months before the date of application for re-entry, the applicant must have **completed half of the continuing education (CE) hours required** for their licensure level. These hours must follow the CE blueprint for level. For example, if need 10 hours of trauma CEs for renewal normally, they would need at least half that (5 or more hours of trauma CEs).
- The applicant must provide a **current CPR card, current ACLS certification** (paramedics only), and other items normally required during renewal (driver's license, etc.).
- The applicant will need to do a **background check with fingerprinting**.
- The applicant must take the **state exam appropriate for their licensure level**.

Re-Entry Application for EMS License

As previously stated, re-entry applicants will select "**Re-Entry Application for EMS License**" in the NM EMS Licensing Portal to begin the application process. Applicants should then follow the instructions in the portal to provide the necessary information for their application. Once an application has been processed and approved, applicants can schedule an exam for re-licensure.

Examination Locations and Scheduling

To schedule the state licensure test call **1-833-796-8773**.

Application Changes

Please note that once the application has been submitted, the applicant will no longer have access to their application. Applicants should not create a second application; if they need to make changes, they need to call 1-833-796-8773 for assistance.

Number of Re-Entry Attempts

Applicants have two attempts to pass the state licensure exam as they attempt re-entry. If you do not pass the state licensure exam within two attempts, you will be considered an initial applicant and must complete a full licensure course.

EMS providers are only allowed to attempt re-entry once. If the provider fails to renew or reinstate their license in the future, they will not be eligible to use the re-entry process again. They will need to re-apply using the "**Initial Licensure**" process.

Changes in Licensure

Changes to Level of Licensure

If the applicant is changing licensure levels (e.g., EMT-Basic to EMT-Intermediate), the applicant will log into their existing account in the NM EMS Licensing Portal and select the **"Applications"** tab on the left side of the screen. The applicant will then select **"Initial Application for EMS License."** The applicant will follow the instructions in the portal to provide the information required for the application.

Name Changes

To change their name, the applicant will log in to their existing NM EMS Licensing Portal account and select the "**Applications**" tab on the left side of the screen. The applicant will then select "**Name Change**" upload legal documentation supporting the name change (such as a marriage license or court order) and pay a $10 fee.

Name change applications may be initiated at any time during the year; however, if the applicant is initiating a name change during the renewal season, the applicant should complete the name change application before applying for renewal.

Application Changes

Please note that once the application has been submitted, the applicant will no longer have access to their application. Applicants should not create a second application; if they need to make changes, they are to call 1-833-796-8773 for assistance.

Emergency Recognition of Licensure

EMS providers who are **licensed in other states who have been deployed to emergencies in the state of New Mexico** are not required to go through the full reciprocity process. However, individuals must be documented by the NMDOH EMS Bureau to ensure they are practicing under medical supervision. Providers who are responding to emergencies, including but not limited to wildland fires or floods, should instruct their medical director to contact the NMDOH EMS Bureau by calling 1-833-796-8773. EMS Bureau staff will provide the appropriate forms for documentation of out-of-state providers participating in emergency response.

Cost of Licensure and Payments

Initial Fees

Licensure Level	Initial Licensure Fee
First Responder	$25
EMT Basic	$65
EMT Intermediate	$75
Paramedic	$85
Dispatcher	$25
EMD Instructor	$35

Renewal Fees

The cost of EMS Renewal is dependent on the timing of renewal. Early renewal is less expensive and allows for continuity of licensure. Individuals who do not renew by March 31st may not have an active license until their reinstatement application is processed.

Licensure Level	Renewal Fee Rec before March 1	March Renewal Fee March 1-March 31	Reinstatement Fee April 1-May 31
First Responder	$20	$60	$120
EMT Basic	$30	$90	$180
EMT Intermediate	$40	$120	$240
Paramedic	$50	$150	$300
Dispatcher	$20	$60	$120
Dispatcher Instructor	$25	$75	$150

Affiliation and Medical Direction Confirmation

After the Service Director and Medical Director electronically sign the application, the applicant will receive an email message regarding payment. If the applicant's agency is paying, the applicant will be notified that no payment is owed. If an applicant is not affiliated with an agency, they will receive an email to pay immediately. If the applicant is responsible for paying the licensing fee, payment may be made using one of the methods below.

ACH (Bank Account Transfer)

- The applicant will receive a link to CyberSource to submit payment via ACH. The applicant will need the bank routing number and checking account number.
- If the applicant successfully pays online via ACH, no additional payment needs to be mailed or delivered.
- ACH payments may take several days to clear the applicant's bank account. The NM EMS Bureau cannot process the license until the payment has been cleared.
- If an ACH payment is declined, the applicant will be contacted by the EMS Bureau. At that time, the applicant must pay the licensing fee and any applicable returned check fee. This payment must be made by money order or cashier's check.

Mail or Hand Delivery

- The applicant may mail or hand-deliver payment by check or money order.
- Uploading a photo of a check or money order in the portal is not sufficient for payment processing. The original check or money order must be mailed or hand delivered. The uploaded photo is used only for identity verification.
- The applicant MUST print their name and license number on the payment for it to be processed.
- Checks and money orders must be made payable to the NM EMS Bureau. Payment may be mailed or delivered to:

  NM EMS Bureau
  1301 Siler Rd. Building F
  Santa Fe, NM 87507

- The EMS Bureau cannot accept cash by mail or in person. In-person payments by credit card, debit card, or ACH are also not accepted.
- EMS Bureau office hours are 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM on weekdays. The office is closed on federal holidays and may close due to inclement weather.
- Applicants are encouraged to call ahead at 1-833-796-8773 to confirm that someone is available to receive the payment.

Fingerprinting and Background Checks

The New Mexico EMS Bureau requires criminal background checks for certain licensure and renewal activities. The process differs depending on whether an individual is applying for **initial licensure, reciprocity, reentry**, or **license renewal**. Please note that the application for licensure in the portal must be **completed** prior to obtaining fingerprints.

Initial Licensure, Reciprocity, and Reentry

Applicants seeking initial licensure, licensure by reciprocity, or reentry into EMS practice must complete a **state and national criminal background check** as required by NMSA 24-10B-2. Background checks are conducted through the New Mexico Department of Public Safety (DPS) using the state's contracted fingerprinting vendor, **IdentoGO**.

All applicants **must register with IdentoGO** before submitting fingerprints, even if the fingerprints are obtained through a local law enforcement agency. Registration is completed at **https://nm.state.identogo.com/** using:

- Service Code: 2BHTKZ
- ORI Number: NM931162Z

ORI Numbers

Applicants must use ORI Number **NM931162Z**. The Department of Health conducts background checks for multiple programs, and using an incorrect ORI number may result in background check results being sent to the wrong agency, causing delays in processing. Using ORI Number **NM931162Z** ensures that results are sent to the **New Mexico EMS Bureau**.

Where to Obtain Fingerprints

Applicants may obtain fingerprints from either a local law enforcement agency, or an IdentoGO location that offers fingerprinting services.

Fingerprint providers may charge a separate fee for taking fingerprints. Applicants should contact the provider directly regarding identification requirements and fees. Government-issued identification will be required when fingerprints are taken.

Submitting Fingerprints

Fingerprints must be submitted on the **standard FBI FD-258 Fingerprint Card** (white card with light blue border). IdentoGO cannot process fingerprint cards issued by other state or local agencies. The fingerprint card must be completed legibly and contain all required demographic information, including:

- Full name
- Date of birth
- Home address
- Sex
- Height
- Weight
- Hair color
- Eye color
- Place of birth (state or country only)
- Citizenship

Both traditional ink-rolled fingerprints and electronically captured fingerprints printed onto an FD-258 card are acceptable.

When registering through IdentoGO, applicants should:

1. Enter all personal information exactly as it appears on the fingerprint card.
2. Select **"I would like to mail in a fingerprint card."**
3. Complete the registration process.
4. Print the barcode page generated by IdentoGO.

Applicants should **not mail fingerprint cards until registration is complete and the barcode page has been printed**. The completed fingerprint card and barcode page must then be mailed to the address provided during the IdentoGO registration process.

Any resubmission required because of incomplete information, incorrect demographic data, an incorrect service code, or an incorrect ORI number will be the responsibility of the applicant and may require additional fees.

Universal Enrollment ID (UEID)

After registering and fingerprinting through IdentoGO, applicants will receive a receipt containing a **Universal Enrollment ID (UEID)**. If the licensing application requests a UEID, applicants should enter the number shown on their IdentoGO receipt. This number helps identify and track the applicant's background check submission.

License Renewal Background Checks

New Mexico EMS licensees are required to complete a New Mexico Department of Public Safety (DPS) state background check every other renewal cycle (every four years) in accordance with §24-10B-5.2 NMSA 1978.

Unlike the background check required for initial licensure, reciprocity, and reentry, renewal background checks do not require fingerprinting through IdentoGO.

To complete a renewal background check, the applicant must:

- Obtain the Authorization for Release of Information form from the NM EMS Licensing Portal.
- Complete and have the form notarized.
- Include a $15 money order or cashier's check payable to the Department of Public Safety.
- Mail the completed form and payment to DPS following the instructions provided with the form.

Questions regarding the DPS records check process may be directed to DPS Records at **505-827-9181**.

DPS generally processes requests within **7-15 business days after receiving the completed form and payment**, although processing times may vary based on workload and volume.

Renewal Background Check Schedule

The renewal background check requirement is phased by last name. Applicants whose last names fall within the ranges below must complete the DPS background check as part of that year's renewal:

Renewal Due Date	Last Name Begins With
March 31, 2027	N-Z
March 31, 2028	A-M
March 31, 2029	A-M
March 31, 2030	N-Z

If a background check is required for the applicant's renewal cycle, the appropriate background check section will appear automatically within the renewal application. Applicants who do not see the background check requirement in their renewal application are generally not required to complete a DPS background check during that renewal cycle.

Continuing Education (CE) Requirements

Continuing education shows that EMS providers are maintaining knowledge and skills by documenting the CE hours complete during each 2-year renewal cycle.

The course/class must be EMS Bureau approved before the CE is administered. The EMS Bureau has the final decision in determining if the category or type of CE will be accepted.

Deadline for Continuing Education (CE) Hours

Applicants have until March 31 to complete CEs for their renewal period. **Note**: The deadline for CEs changed in 2026 from a December deadline to a March deadline.

Exceptions/Extensions for Incomplete CEs

Requests for CE extensions can only be approved by the NM EMS Licensing Commission. They are only granted in very limited circumstances, such as extremely serious illnesses or a multi-month family emergency. Typical issues (such as missing the deadline on accident, technology problems, not counting your CEs properly, etc.) will not qualify for an exemption

CE Requirements by Licensure Level

NREMT/NCCP requirements may differ slightly from the following New Mexico requirements for each level. This may occur on an ongoing basis, as the NREMT periodically updates or changes their requirements. If an applicant is interested in renewing both their New Mexico license and the NREMT certification, and these variations appear to be problematic, contact the EMS Bureau at 1-833-796-8773. Submission of CE documentation does not guarantee acceptance if content does not meet category definitions.

The following tables show how many CEs are required for each category for each level of licensure.

First Responder

20 Hours of CE meeting the following categories:

Category	CE Hours
Preparatory / Operations	2
Airway, Respiration, & Ventilation	3
Cardiovascular Emergencies	2
Medical Emergencies	4
Trauma Emergencies	4
Special Considerations	5

EMT Basic

40 Hours of CE meeting the following categories:

Category	CE Hours
Preparatory / Operations	4
Airway, Respiration, & Ventilation	6
Cardiovascular Emergencies	6
Medical Emergencies	8
Trauma Emergencies	8
Special Considerations	8 (4 hours must be Pediatric)

EMT Intermediate

50 Hours of CE meeting the following categories:

Category	CE Hours
Preparatory / Operations	4
Airway, Respiration, & Ventilation	8
Cardiovascular Emergencies	6
Medical Emergencies	12
Trauma Emergencies	10
Special Considerations	10 (5 hours must be Pediatric)

Paramedic

60 Hours of CE meeting the following categories:

Category	CE Hours
Preparatory / Operations	6
Airway, Respiration, & Ventilation	8
Cardiovascular Emergencies	10
Medical Emergencies	14
Trauma Emergencies	10
Special Considerations	12 (6 hours must be Pediatric)

Emergency Medical Dispatcher

20 Hours of CE meeting the following categories:

Category	CE Hours
Emergency Medical Dispatch	10
Medical Emergencies	10

Emergency Medical Dispatcher-Instructor

20 Hours of CE meeting the following categories:

Category	CE Hours
Emergency Medical Dispatch	10
Medical Emergencies	10
Must Maintain NEW MEXICO EMT License.	
Verification Of Good Standing Through EMD Training Program	

Acceptable Forms of Continuing Education (CE)

At least half (50%) of the required CE's must be conducted synchronously; this means class participants are able to interact with a live instructor. Synchronous CEs can come from a traditional classroom, a live webinar, or another real-time instructor-led format. The other **50% of CE's can be asynchronous.** Asynchronous means the learning is presented in formats without a live instructor such as self-paced online courses, case-based scenarios or video modules.

Approved EMS CE Programs

An agency may facilitate continuing education courses. The agency will need to have an NMDOH EMS Bureau approved CE number. All requirements for conducting an EMS CE course must be followed, and records maintained by the agency or department's CE coordinator, including class roster, teaching notes or outline, PowerPoint presentation, etc. Training may include case reviews and job orientation classes. EMS video presentations may also be used for continuing education. Agencies intending to offer video training must submit a Notification of Intent to Conduct a Continuing Education Program application to the NMDOH EMS Bureau along with a list of the videos intended for presentation with their corresponding copyright dates.

Pre-Approved Courses

Credit can be applied for standardized courses. Applicants may use a course only once toward the total number of hours required. Excess hours from a course can be carried over to another requirement area.

NM EMS Bureau Pre-Approved CPR/ACLS/PALS Courses 2026 - 2027

- American Heart Association "BLS Provider"
- American Red Cross "CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer"
- Emergency Care and Safety Institute “Professional Rescuer CPR”
- National Safety Council "CPR and AED"
- Medic First Aid “Basic Life Support for Professionals (BLSPRO)”
- American Safety & Health Institute “CPR for the Professional Rescuer”
- Military Training Network “BLS Healthcare Provider”
- EMS Safety Services: CPR/AED for Professional Rescuer
- Pro Trainings LLC ProCPR - CPR/AED for Healthcare Provider Classroom and Blended Classroom
- American Red Cross Advanced Life Support “ACLS”
- Pacific Medical Training / 911 Con-ed BLS, ACLS, PALS
- American Heart Association “ACLS Provider”, “ACLS EP”, “Heart Code ACLS”
- Emergency Care and Safety Institute “eACLS”
- American Safety & Health Institute “ACLS”
- Military Training Network “ACLS”
- American Heart Association “PALS Provider”

College Courses

Credit can be applied for college courses that relate to the applicant's role as an EMS provider. Courses that are approved and the number of EMS CE are listed below. Applicants will need to **upload unofficial transcripts** in place of course completion certificates. **The course needs to be passed within the years you are renewing.**

Be advised that college coursework does not typically convert hour-for-hour into CE credit. The EMS Bureau has determined the number of EMS CEs that will be issued for each accepted course. Approved courses are listed below.

College Courses Accepted for NM EMS CE's and CE Equivalent

- Anatomy & Physiology 1 = 3 Medical, 3 Trauma
- Anatomy & Physiology 1 Lab = 3 Medical, 3 Trauma, 1 Airway/ventilation/Respiratory
- Anatomy & Physiology 2 = 3 Medical, 3 Trauma
- Anatomy & Physiology 2 Lab = 3 Medical, 3 Trauma, 1 Airway/ventilation/Respiratory
- Microbiology = 3 Special considerations/1 Preparatory Ops
- Microbiology Lab = 3 Special considerations
- Intro Chemistry = 3 Preparatory/Ops
- Pharmacology = 3 Special Consideration/ 1 Medical
- General Psychology = 1.5 Preparatory/Ops, 1.5 Special considerations
- Statistics = 3 Preparatory/Ops

Approved New Mexico Training Institutions

Not all institutions offering these courses have curricula that meet New Mexico EMS continuing education requirements. Only courses offered through the institutions listed below have been reviewed and determined to satisfy EMS continuing education criteria.

Training Institutions	Phone Number
Central New Mexico Community College, Albuquerque	505-224-5218
Dona Ana Community College, Las Cruces	575-527-7645
Eastern New Mexico University, Roswell	575-624-7076
San Juan College, Farmington	505-566-3857
Santa Fe Community College, Santa Fe	505-428-1820
UNM EMS Academy, Albuquerque	505-272-5757

Commission on Accreditation for Pre-Hospital Continuing Education (CAPCE) is the national accrediting body that reviews and approves continuing education (CE) courses and providers for emergency medical services (EMS) personnel, including Emergency Medical Responders (EMRs), EMTs, and paramedics. All courses that are CAPCE approved are pre-approved for credit in New Mexico. New Mexico will also accept any CAPCE accredited courses from any other state.

Some course sponsors include:

- New Mexico Region II
- Southwest Ambulance
- National Safety Council CEVO II
- VFIS Emergency Vehicle Driving
- Emergency Vehicle Operator – Target Safety

Online (Asynchronous) Instruction

Online CE must be approved by the NM EMS Bureau or be CAPCE accredited. The following are some approved online CE programs:

Action Training Systems
Provider No: Act0113
Web Site: http://www.action-training.com

Code 3 CME LLC
Provider No: CODE1900
Web Site: http://www.code3cme.com

FireEMSAcademy.com
Provider No: PNLPI8000
Web Site: http://www.fireemsacademy.com

Fisdap, Public Safety Group (Recert) *Jones and Bartlett*
5 Wall Street
Burlington, MA 01803
Phone: 978-443-5000
Email: mmayne@fisdap.net Website: http://www.recert.com

24-7 EMS-Health & Safety Institute
Provider No: P247E1100
Web Site: http://www.24-7ems.com

Target Solutions Together with CentreLearn
Provider No: PTGSF5900
Web Site: http://www.targetsolutions.com

Medic-CE.com, LLC
Provider No: MedicCE6500
Web Site: http://www.medic-ce.com

Note: Any out of state CE must be CAPCE accredited or NM EMS Bureau approved.

Continuing Education Credits for Instructors

Instructors of CPR, ACLS, and PALS courses may receive 4 hours of CE credit toward license renewal for one class per year for each course. For example, if you taught 6 CPR

courses, 2 ACLS courses and 2 PALS courses in a calendar year, you would only receive 4 hours of CE for each different course for a total of 12 CE hours.

Instructor-Coordinators of EMS provider training programs, employed by an approved EMS training institution, may receive hour for hour credit for teaching an approved EMS course (EMS First Responder, EMT-Basic, EMT-Intermediate or EMT-Paramedic). Documentation of such activity submitted for renewal must be on letterhead from the training institution and signed by the program director.

Conferences and Symposia

Conferences and symposia are typically lecture-based programs hosted by EMS services, educational institutions, hospitals, or state/regional EMS organizations. To qualify for New Mexico EMS CE credit, conference sessions must address topics identified in this guide. The content presented must be sufficiently comprehensive to meet the depth and breadth expectations outlined in the Instructional Guidelines.

Conference coordinators are responsible for determining whether a session meets these requirements. When a session meets the topic and instructional standards described in this guide, coordinators should inform attendees that the session may be applied toward EMS CE requirements.

Authorship

CE credit is available for original EMS-related articles written by EMS providers. This includes EMS articles for newspapers, magazines, textbooks, and journals. The article must be submitted to the State EMS Training Coordinator for approval during the current licensure cycle. Contact information for the current Training Coordinator can be obtained by calling 833-796-8773. Upon review, the State EMS Training Coordinator will determine whether the specific article shall receive CE credit and the number and type of credits. The Training Coordinator will notify the author in writing.

A Final Word for Individuals Requesting CE Approval

Applicants may be granted CE approval for other types of training not listed in this guide. For approval to be given, the applicant must submit a course completion certificate or other documentation verifying attendance, along with course syllabus and other supporting documentation, as determined by the EMS Bureau. Notification of approval will be accomplished by letter from the State EMS Training Coordinator. A copy of this letter must be submitted when applying for licensure renewal.

Pre-Approved Course List

The following table is a sample of national and statewide recognized courses available for Continuing Education credit. It would be impossible to list every course that is applicable to EMS education. EMS providers and agencies do not need pre-approval from the EMS Bureau to attend or sponsor these classes so long as the requirements by the sponsoring organization are met. Individuals completing any of these courses need only to submit their course completion certificate when they renew their license.

Other courses not listed in the following chart may be eligible for Continuing Education credit.

If you **do not see a class** here, please **contact the State EMS Training Coordinator** for assistance by calling 833-796-8773.

Course Title	Eligible Number of CE Hours per Category
Advanced Burn Life Support	Airway: 1.5 Trauma: 6 Operations: 0.5 **Total Hours: 8**
Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ASHI, Red Cross, AHA)	Cardiac: 8 Medical: 7 **Total Hours: 15**
Advanced Cardiac Life Support Instructor Class	Cardiac: 8 Medical: 7 **Total Hours: 15**
Advanced Disaster Life Support	Cardiac: 2 Trauma: 5 Medical: 7 Operations: 24 **Total Hours: 38**
Advanced Hazmat Life Support (AHA)	Trauma: 16 **Total Hours: 16**
Advanced Incident Command System – NM Fire Academy	Airway: 2 Trauma: 2 Medical: 2 Operations: 24 **Total Hours: 30**

Advanced Life Support Obstetrics	Cardiac: 2 Trauma: 16 Medical: 4 Operations: 2 **Total Hours: 24**
Advanced Medical Life Support – NAEMT	Airway: 2 Cardiac: 2 Trauma: 2 Medical: 12 **Total Hours: 18**
Advanced Neonatal Life Support (NRP)	Medical: 6 Pediatrics: 16 **Total Hours: 22**
Advanced Pediatric Life Support	Medical: 12 Pediatrics: 12 **Total Hours: 24**
Advanced Search and Rescue	Airway: 8 Trauma: 4 Operations: 19 **Total Hours: 31**
Advanced Stroke Life Support	Cardiac: 10 Trauma: 2 Medical: 12 **Total Hours: 24**
Advanced Trauma First Aid	Airway: 4 Cardiac: 3.5 Trauma: 3.5 Medical: 6 **Total Hours: 17**
Advanced Trauma Life Support	Trauma: 12 **Total Hours: 12**
Advanced Wilderness Life Support	Cardiac: 10.5 Medical: 13 Operations: 1.5 **Total Hours: 25**
Answering The Call	Medical: 6 Operations: 4 **Total Hours: 10**
National Domestic Preparedness (Advanced)	Medical: 24 **Total Hours: 24**

Basic Disaster Life Support	Trauma: 1 Medical: 4 **Total Hours: 5**
Basic Firefighter Emergency Care – New Mexico Fire **Academy**	Cardiac: 2 Trauma: 12 Medical: 10 Operations: 16 **Total Hours: 40**
Basic Incident Command – New Mexico Fire **Academy**	Medical: 12 Operations: 2 **Total Hours: 14**
CPR – ASHI, Red Cross, AHA	Cardiac: 2 Medical: 16 **Total Hours: 18**
Basic Trauma First Aid	Trauma: 10 Medical: 4 **Total Hours: 14**
Basic Trauma Life Support	Trauma: 16 **Total Hours: 16**
Basic Trauma Life Support – Pediatric	Pediatrics: 16 **Total Hours: 16**
Basic Water Rescue Preparedness – NASAR	Trauma: 6 Operations: 24 Pediatrics: 8 **Total Hours: 38**
Certified Emergency Vehicle Operator	EMD: 6 **Total Hours: 6**
Counter Narcotics Terrorism Ops Medical Support	Airway: 2 Trauma: 6 Medical: 8 Operations: 8 **Total Hours: 16**
Core Disaster Life Support	EMD: 8 **Total Hours: 8**
Child Passenger Safety Training	Pediatrics: 16 **Total Hours: 16**
CISM Classes	Special Considerations: 16 **Total Hours: 16**

Critical Care Paramedic	Airway: 16.5 Cardiac: 10 Trauma: 10.5 Medical: 21 Operations: 5 Pediatrics: 12 Special Considerations: 7.5 **Total Hours: 104**
Critical Care Transport	Airway: 2 Cardiac: 4 Trauma: 2 Medical: 12 Operations: 2 Pediatrics: 10 Special Considerations: 2 **Total Hours: 34**
Difficult Airway Class	Airway: 12 Trauma: 4 Pediatrics: 2 **Total Hours: 18**
Emergency Department Technician Course	Trauma: 16 Medical: 12 Pediatrics: 12 **Total Hours: 42**
EMD APCO	EMD: 24 **Total Hours: 24**
EMD Power Outage	EMD: 2 **Total Hours: 2**
EMD Mega Call	EMD: 24 **Total Hours: 24**
EMD NAED	EMD: 8 **Total Hours: 8**
EMD for Children	Pediatrics: 8 **Total Hours: 8**
EMS Safety – NAEMT	Medical: 3 Operations: 4 Pediatrics: 1 **Total Hours: 8**

Emergency Pediatric Care	Airway: 2 Trauma: 1 Medical: 3 Operations: 4 Pediatrics: 6 **Total Hours: 16**
Emergency Response to Domestic Biological Incidents	EMD: 8 **Total Hours: 8**
Emergency Nurse Pediatric Care	Airway: 2 Medical: 6 Operations: 8 Pediatrics: 16 **Total Hours: 32**
Firefighter Emergency Care	Airway: 2 Medical: 6 Operations: 4 **Total Hours: 12**
Firefighter Rehab Medical	Medical: 6 Operations: 2 **Total Hours: 8**
First Responder Radiation Course	Medical: 2 Operations: 14 **Total Hours: 16**
Flight Bridge Critical Care	Airway: 10 Cardiac: 8 Trauma: 4 Medical: 8 Operations: 2 Pediatrics: 4 **Total Hours: 36**
Fundamentals of Search & Rescue	Operations: 47 **Total Hours: 47**
Stroke Workshop – AHA	Cardiac: 6 **Total Hours: 6**
Geriatric Emergency Medical Services	Medical: 15 **Total Hours: 15**
Hazardous Materials Awareness – New Mexico Fire Academy	Operations: 24 **Total Hours: 24**

Hazardous Materials Operations – New Mexico Fire Academy	Operations: 24 **Total Hours: 24**
Hazard Services Response Workshop	Medical: 7 Operations: 1 **Total Hours: 8**
ICS 100–400 / 700–800	*Each course lists only non-zero hours:* ICS 100: Operations 4 ICS 200: Operations 4 ICS 300: Operations 4 ICS 400: Operations 4 ICS 700: Operations 4 ICS 800: Operations 4 **Total Hours: 4**
Incident Commander Emergency Response – NASAR	Operations: 24 **Total Hours: 24**
Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings	Operations: 4 **Total Hours: 4**
Incident Command System – Intermediate	Operations: 24 **Total Hours: 24**
International Trauma Life Support	Trauma: 16 **Total Hours: 16**
Introduction to Search & Rescue	Medical: 16 **Total Hours: 16**
Law Enforcement Tactical Casualty Care	Airway: 1 Cardiac: 4 Medical: 2 **Total Hours: 7**
Mental Health First Aid	Pediatrics: 8 **Total Hours: 8**
Mass Faculty Incident Response – FEMA	Medical: 16 **Total Hours: 16**

Modular Emergency Radiological Response Transport Training	**Medical: 16** **Total Hours: 16**
Newborn Resuscitation Program	Pediatrics: 8 **Total Hours: 8**
Outdoors Emergency Care	Airway: 2 Cardiac: 18 Trauma: 16 Medical: 8 Pediatrics: 4 **Total Hours: 48**
Outdoors Emergency Care Refresher	Airway: 2 Cardiac: 2 Trauma: 4 Pediatrics: 2 **Total Hours: 12**
Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)	Airway: 2 Cardiac: 1 Trauma: 6 Medical: 1 Pediatrics: 6 **Total Hours: 16**
PALS Refresher	Airway: 2 Operations: 4 **Total Hours: 6**
PALS Instructor	Airway: 2 Operations: 6 **Total Hours: 8**
Pediatric Basic Trauma Life Support	Pediatrics: 8 **Total Hours: 8**
PEARS	Pediatrics: 6 **Total Hours: 6**
Pediatric Education for Professional Providers (ALS)	Airway: 2 Cardiac: 2.5 Trauma: 8.5 Medical: 3 Total Hours: 16

Pediatric Education for Professional Providers (BLS)	Airway: 2 Cardiac: 3 Trauma: 4 Total Hours: 9
Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support	Airway: 2 Cardiac: 10 Trauma: 2 Medical: 1 Operations: 1 Total Hours: 16
Principles of Ethics & Personal Leadership (NAEMT)	Medical: 4 Operations: 12 **Total Hours: 16**
Sudden Unexplained Infant Death Investigation	**Medical: 4** **Special Considerations: 1** **Total Hours: 5**
STABLE	Airway: 1 Cardiac: 1 Medical: 1 Special Considerations: 1 **Total Hours: 4**
Stop The Bleed	Trauma: 1 **Total Hours: 1**
Tactical Casualty Care	Trauma: 15 **Total Hours: 15**
Transport Nurse Advanced Trauma Course	Airway: 1 Trauma: 10.5 Medical: 3.5 Special Considerations: 1 **Total Hours: 16**
Transport Provider Advanced Trauma Course	Airway: 2 Trauma: 14 **Total Hours: 16**
Trauma Nursing Core Course	Airway: 1 Trauma: 9 Medical: 4 Special Considerations: 1 **Total Hours: 16**
Vehicle Extrication Course (New Mexico Fire Academy)	Operations: 24 **Total Hours: 24**

Wilderness Advanced First Aid	Airway: 2 Cardiac: 2 Trauma: 14 Medical: 12 Operations: 3 Pediatrics: 1 Special Considerations: 2 **Total Hours: 36**
Wilderness Advanced First Aid – Bridge to First Responder	Airway: 2 Cardiac: 2 Trauma: 12 Medical: 14 Operations: 3 Pediatrics: 1 Special Considerations: 2 **Total Hours: 36**
Wilderness First Responder	Airway: 6 Cardiac: 4 Trauma: 24 Medical: 22 Operations: 4 Pediatrics: 2 Special Considerations: 2 **Total Hours: 64**
Wilderness EMS Upgrade	Airway: 7 Cardiac: 6 Trauma: 16 Medical: 15 Operations: 5 Pediatrics: 2 Special Considerations: 3 **Total Hours: 53**

Wilderness Advanced Life Support	Airway: 6 Cardiac: 4 Trauma: 15 Medical: 12 Operations: 4 Pediatrics: 2 Special Considerations: 2 **Total Hours: 45**
Wilderness Refresher	Airway: 2 Cardiac: 2 Trauma: 8 Medical: 8 Operations: 2 Pediatrics: 1 Special Considerations: 1 **Total Hours: 24**
WMD for the Medical Specialist	Operations: 6 **Total Hours: 6**