



## BROOME COUNTY DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM



### EMT and AEMT Field Internship Sites, Contact Persons, and Preceptor Criteria

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#### FIELD INTERNSHIP SITES

All required field internship experience in connection with Original EMT and AEMT courses sponsored by the Broome County Office of Emergency Services shall take place at the following sites. The level(s) of certification to which internship may take place at each site, along with the contact for the purposes of the field internship affiliation, are listed for each.

1. Apalachin Fire Department Emergency 230 Pennsylvania Ave., Apalachin, NY 13732. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, CC, P. Mike George, Asst. Chief (607) 624-8304.
2. Berkshire Emergency Squad, Inc. 9 Park St, Newark Valley, NY, 13811. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, CC, P. Nathan Toussaint, EMT-P, ALS Supervisor. (607) 642-3451, (607) 972-9319.
3. Binghamton Fire Department 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY, 13901. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, CC, P. Capt. John C. Colling, EMT-P, ALS Supervisor. (607) 772-7128.
4. Broome Volunteer Emergency Squad, Inc. 261 Court St., PO Box 599, Binghamton, NY, 13902. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, CC, P. Health Hauptfleisch, EMT-P, ALS Supervisor. (607) 772-6565.
5. Chenango Ambulance Services, Inc., 1135 Upper Front St., Binghamton, NY 13901. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, CC, P. Shawn Skinner, EMT-P, ALS Supervisor. (607) 722-8747, Fax (607) 722-4959.
6. Colesville Volunteer Ambulance Service, Inc. 28 King Rd, Harpursville NY 13787. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, and CC. Gary Kiehle, EMT-P, ALS Supervisor. (607) 724-3105, (607) 760-1322.
7. Deposit Fire Department Emergency Squad, 130 Second Street, Deposit, NY 13754. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I only. Donna Hartz, AEMT-I, ILS Supervisor. (607) 467-3101.
8. Greater Valley Emergency Medical Services, Inc. 904 N. Lehigh Avenue, Sayre, PA 18840. EMT-Basic only. Pam Mott, Chief. (570) 888-6000.
9. Greene Emergency Squad, Inc. PO Box 1, Greene, NY 13778. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, CC, P. Richard Woerter, EMT-P, ALS Supervisor (607) 656-9798, (607) 799-1164
10. Harpurs Ferry Student Volunteer Ambulance Service, Ltd. PO Box 2000, Binghamton, NY 13902. EMT-B; AEMT-I, CC, P. Wayne Schneider, EMT-P, ALS Supervisor (607) 723-6526.
11. Maine Emergency Squad, PO Box 157, Maine, NY 13802. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, CC, P. Nikki Hoppes, EMT-P, ALS Supervisor. (607) 862-3615, (607) 343-8334.
12. Owego Fire Department Emergency Squad. North Avenue, Owego, NY 13827. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, CC, P. Paul L. Cole, EMT-CC, ALS Supervisor (607) 687-9150 (607) 777-1990.
13. Superior Ambulance Service, Inc. 46 Exchange Street, Binghamton, NY 13901. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, CC, P. James L. Dean, EMT-P, ALS Supervisor. (607) 772-1458.
14. Union Volunteer Emergency Squad, Inc. PO Box 8626, Endwell, NY 13762. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, CC, P. Chris Ellis, EMT-P, ALS Supervisor (607) 754-3414, ext. 235.
15. Vestal Volunteer Emergency Squad, 324 Myrtle St., Vestal, NY 13850. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, CC, P. Steve Magargle, EMT-P, ALS Supervisor. (607) 748-6618.
16. Windsor Fire Department Emergency Squad, PO Box 179, Windsor, NY 13865. EMT-Basic; AEMT-I, CC, P. Sid Peake, EMT-CC, Captain, (607) 775-2374.

## SELECTION OF PRECEPTORS

ALS Field internship preceptors are selected by the Medical Director, and are referred for his consideration by application, with the recommendation of the ALS Supervisor of the internship site at which the prospective preceptor would serve. Any EMT or AEMT authorized by a participating EMS agency act in this capacity may serve as a preceptor for the EMT-Basic field internship.

## QUALIFICATIONS AND CRITERIA FOR PRECEPTOR APPOINTMENT

The Advanced Life Support Internship Preceptor is an experienced AEMT-I, AEMT-CC, or AEMT-P, who has been approved and appointed by the EMS Medical Director for the purpose of instructing and evaluating AEMT Student Interns in Broome County AEMT certification courses during the field internship phase of their training, as well as orienting and evaluating certified AEMTs who are newly entering the Broome County ALS System, or who have been prescribed remedial supervised field work by the EMS Medical Director. The minimum qualifications to be an ALS preceptor are: current AEMT-I, AEMT-CC or AEMT-P certification and current unsupervised practice privileges and valid ALS TEK # in Broome County for at least one full year. The appointment/reappointment of ALS Preceptors shall take place on an annual basis, and shall be based upon the submission of a completed application, and upon the approval and recommendation of the chief operational officer (Chief, Captain, Operations Supervisor, etc.) of each prehospital ALS agency on whose behalf the applicant is seeking to act as Preceptor. It shall be permissible for an AEMT to act as a Preceptor on behalf of more than one ALS agency with whom he/she is affiliated, but in no case shall he/she act in such capacity in any ALS agency in which he/she is not authorized to act as such by that agency's chief operational officer. While there is no absolute limit on the number of ALS Preceptors that will be appointed in a given agency, the number appointed in a given year will be based on the number of AEMTs expected to intern in the agency during that year, and may be adjusted up or down during the year as necessary. The most qualified candidates will be selected from among those applying to fill the anticipated need for Preceptors. Appointment as an ALS Preceptor during a previous year does not automatically guarantee reappointment as such in subsequent years.

## ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PRECEPTORS

The responsibilities of the ALS Preceptor include one-on-one teaching and evaluation of AEMT Student Interns during the Field Internship phase of their Original AEMT course. This includes the requirement that the Preceptor make his/herself available for duty shifts with AEMT Interns as required. The ALS Preceptor remains primarily responsible for total patient care, and must be physically present with the Intern at all times and in control of patient care whenever the Intern is performing any advanced life support care for the patient. This means that the Preceptor can never be the driver of the ambulance when acting as a Preceptor, and can never be riding or following in a separate vehicle when the Intern is performing ALS in the ambulance. The Preceptor is obligated to complete the appropriate evaluation form immediately after each internship run, and to return the form to the Intern before the conclusion of the Intern's shift. The ALS Preceptor must remain in control of patient care at all times, and is responsible for preventing any harm to the patient caused by incorrect or dangerous performance on the part of the Intern.

The ALS Preceptor is required and expected to maintain his/her own BLS and ALS skills. This includes attendance at updates as required, fulfillment of any CME requirements (eg: quarterly ALS skills demonstration), and exemplary performance of patient care in the field. ALS preceptors serve as primary role models for new AEMTs, and may not deviate in any way from protocols and accepted standards of care. Failure to adhere to this high standard of conduct may result in immediate termination of ALS Preceptor status by the Medical Director.