

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland read(s) as follows:

Article - Health Occupations

14-303.

(a) In this section, "cardiac rescue technician" means an individual who:

(1) (i) Has completed a course approved by the Board and the Director of Emergency Medical Services; and

(ii) Has been examined by the Board and certified as a cardiac rescue technician by the Board; [or]

(2) Is enrolled in a cardiac rescue technician program that meets the standards set by the Board[.]; OR

(3) (I) HAS COMPLETED AN--ADVANCE A CARDIAC RESCUE TECHNICIAN COURSE OR ITS EQUIVALENT AS DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES; AND

(II) RESIDES IN AND IS AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY HEALTH CARE SERVICES BY ANY STATE ADJOINING THIS STATE AND WHO IS CALLED ON TO OCCASIONALLY RENDER EMERGENCY HEALTH CARE SERVICES IN THIS STATE OR TO TRANSPORT EMERGENCY PATIENTS FROM THE ADJOINING STATE TO A HEALTH CARE FACILITY IN THIS STATE IF:

1. THE CARDIAC RESCUE TECHNICIAN IS NOT AFFILIATED WITH AN AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT OR COMPANY IN THIS STATE OR IS NOT ENGAGED IN PROVIDING EMERGENCY HEALTH CARE SERVICES IN THIS STATE ON A REGULAR BASIS; AND

2. THE SAME PRIVILEGES ARE EXTENDED TO CARDIAC RESCUE TECHNICIANS OF THIS STATE BY THE ADJOINING STATE.

(b) Subject to the rules, regulations, and orders of the Board and the Commission, a cardiac rescue technician, while delivering emergency health care services or undergoing training, may:

(1) Perform all phases of [cardio-pulmonary] CARDIOPULMONARY resuscitation;

(2) Administer drugs or intravenous solutions as directed by a licensed physician by radio, telemetry, or written or oral instruction; and

(3) Obtain blood for laboratory analysis.