

(iii) Been examined by the EMS Board and certified as an EMT-B by the EMS Board.

(9) "Emergency medical technician-paramedic" (EMT-P) means an individual who has:

(i) Completed an emergency medical technician-paramedic course approved by the EMS Board;

(ii) Been tested and registered by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians, Inc. as an emergency medical technician-paramedic;

(iii) Demonstrated competence in medical protocols within this State as determined by the EMS Board; and

(iv) Been licensed as an EMT-P by the EMS Board.

(10) "First responder" means an individual who has:

(i) Completed a first responder course approved by the EMS Board; and

(ii) Been examined by the EMS Board and certified as a first responder by the EMS Board.

(11) "License" means a license issued by the EMS Board to provide emergency medical services in the State, unless the context requires otherwise.

(12) (i) "Medical direction" means the written or oral instruction by a licensed physician to perform specified medical procedures or administer specified medications or intravenous solutions.

(ii) "Medical direction" includes the activities of a licensed physician in the State serving as a medical director for an agency providing emergency medical services including quality assurance, planning, and education.

(13) "National registry" means the nonproprietary, nongovernmental agency that provides standardized national testing and registration for emergency medical technicians based on national training standards.

(14) "Provider review panel" means the 13-member panel appointed by the EMS Board in accordance with the provisions of subsection (e) of this section.

(15) "PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL" MEANS:

(I) ANY CAREER OR VOLUNTEER MEMBER OF A FIRE, RESCUE OR EMS DEPARTMENT, COMPANY, SQUAD OR AUXILIARY;

(II) ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; OR

~~(H)~~ (III) THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL OR A SWORN MEMBER OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE.