



Texas Emergency Medical Task Force

Position Description: TX EMTF Paramedic

POSITION DESCRIPTIONS: Texas Emergency Medical Task Force (TX EMTF) Paramedic

Reports to:

TX EMTF Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) Charge Nurse, or TX EMTF Group Supervisor.

Supervises:

None.

Position Specific Requirements:

The TX EMTF Paramedic provides all aspects of emergency patient care as directed, and makes critical decisions based on assessment and experience. He/she performs clinical tasks while not exceeding their scope of care under their department or agencies Medical Director during an activation of TX EMTF by the TX Department of State Health Services (DSHS). Paramedics working in a TX EMTF MMU or an assigned facility during an TX EMTF Infection Disease Response Unit (IDRU) activation are clinically supervised by an assigned Physician and maintain clear and accurate documentation of any procedures being performed. All Team members, to include the TX EMTF Paramedic, are responsible for mobilization and de-mobilization of any TX EMTF support units. All staff must have the ability to work in a non-traditional medical facility, in potential adverse conditions while in TX EMTF approved Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) during a TX EMTF IDRU activation with no guaranteed regular scheduled breaks or meals. All team members must understand they may be required to rest in coed quarters during deployments.

Qualifications and Skills:

- + Be actively employed by an agency with a signed TX EMTF Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Lead Regional Advisory Council (RAC).
- + ICS 100, 200, 700, 800 or Hospital Incident Command System (HICS) equivalent.
- + Must have a valid Texas Paramedic license/certification and at least two years of experience.
- + Must be actively practicing as a paramedic in an EMS (Emergency Medical Services) or acute care setting.
- + Must have current BLS, ACLS and PALS and PHTLS or equivalent.
 - o Any other certifications required by requesting facility to complete the on-boarding process of a RNST activation.
- + Completion of initial TX EMTF IDRU Training Course for TX EMTF IDRU activation.
- + Proven competency in donning and doffing of TX EMTF approved PPE.
- + Knowledge of the Task Force functions, tactics, strategy, and safety considerations.
- + An understanding of other disaster response organizations.
- + An awareness of the hazards associated with various disaster environments.
- + Declared fit for duty by sponsoring entity.



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Assigned Duties:

- + Emergency patient care as directed and within their agency medical direction protocols.
- + Provide patient care and clinical tasks as directed and within their agency medical direction protocols in TX EMTF approved PPE during a TX EMTF IDRU activation.
- + Maintains accurate patient care records and documentation.
- + Assist with mobilization and demobilization of TX EMTF equipment, structures, and supplies.
- + Functions as ALS (Advanced Life Support) provider with ALS equipment on coach bus during evacuation operations.
- + Plan for and evaluate information and risk on any emergency and coordinate resources to efficiently provide care for, extract, and transport patient(s) to definitive care in remote, austere settings with limited communication.
- + Manage Risk
- + Establish and maintain positive internal and external interpersonal working relationships.
- + Maintain all required incident documentation generated through operation of the incident medical unit.
- + Performing additional tasks and duties, as assigned by TX EMTF Supervisor.