

PARAMEDIC POSITION DESCRIPTION

Date: 2/2023	Prepared By: Human Resources			
Position Title: Paramedic	Department: Operations			
Exempt: Non-Exempt:	Compensation: for 48/96 schedule: \$22.20-\$31.32/hour (expected annualized salary \$72,816-\$102,730) for 3, 12 hr shift schedule: \$33.06-\$46.65/hour (expected annualized salary \$61,888.32-\$87,328.80) Additional Merit Rate: 1%-3% Additional Bi-lingual Merit Rate: 2% Benefits: Medical, Dental, Vision, Retirement, STD/LTD, EAP, LSA, Paid Time Off			
Alternate Titles: Paramedic 1, Paramedic 2, Paramedic 3, Paramedic 4, Paramedic 5				
Reports to: Shift Supervisor				

Frequent Internal Contacts:	1. Shift Supervisor and Operations Staff	2. Paramedics and EMTs	3. District Staff		
Frequent External Contacts:	1. Patients	2. Families	3. Other medical providers and emergency service personnel		
Number of Employees under Supervision and Titles: May clinically supervise an EMT or other third rider.					

Job Summary: Administers basic and advanced life support to sick and injured persons in the out-of-hospital setting under the direction of the District Medical Director utilizing District protocols.

Values Based Expectations

Expected to act in accordance with our Mission, Vision and Values at all times.

Mission:

Provides skilled, professional and compassionate Emergency Medical Service (EMS) to our community.

Vision:

To be a world leader in out-of-hospital healthcare.

Values:

Integrity

Be honest, committed, and consistent in your words and actions.

Excellence

Strive to continuously improve knowledge, practice and skills.

Community

Be helpful, compassionate, and respectful in all interactions.

Patient Advocacy

Act in the best interest of your patients.

Professionalism

Be loyal, ethical and team oriented.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Assess nature and extent of illness or injury to establish and prioritize medical procedures to be followed or need for additional assistance.
- Renders basic life support procedures or initial treatment to patients in a variety of settings which may include:
 - Attempt to restore and stabilize heart rhythm on pulseless, apneic patient
 - o Perform basic and advanced airway management, including RSI
 - o Administer injections of medications or immunizations
 - o Initiate IV fluids
 - Monitor cardiac patients
- Provide medical examination and screening of patient's conditions, reaction to drugs, treatments and significant incidents; observe and report the same to Physician and other medical personnel via radio or telephone as well as documenting on reports.
- Act as patient advocate in the out-of-hospital setting.
- Complete all reports, including patient care records, legibly, accurately and by the end of each shift or end of every 24-hour work period.
- Drives ambulance to and from emergency and non-emergency scenes, assisting with extricating trapped victims as needed, and transporting sick and injured persons to treatment center.
- Attend staff business meetings and trainings as directed.
- Check medical/operating supplies and vehicle to ensure preparedness.
- Directs and coordinates patient care between inter-agency (ie. fire and police) personnel and other District employees.
- Performs all duties in a safe, courteous, confidential and professional manner, always taking into account the well-being of the patient.
- Mentors, trains and encourages fellow staff as needed to help them attain their full potential.
- Maintains vehicles and guarters pursuant to ECPS policies.
- May supervise one or more employees.
- Other duties as assigned.

Additional Job Duties, see Pay Grade Reference 2022 for more information on expectations, requirements, duties: Paramedic 2:

- Research and present one clinical or operational topic per year
- Earn at least one merit job per year

Paramedic 3:

- Meets expectations for Paramedic 2
- Attend at least one outside conference/workshop/class per year

Paramedic 4:

- Additional job duties will vary by track, but may include:
 - Education Track: Field Training Instructor for other ECPS staff
 - Critical Care Track: Operate as a Critical Care Paramedic
 - Supervisor Track: Provide support to ECPS staff as a fill-in Supervisor
 - Community Paramedic Track: Provide support as a fill-in Community Paramedic

Paramedic 5:

- Attends additional trainings and maintains credentials as required
- Participated in FTI and additional required meetings as needed
- Paramedic 5 additional roles may include: Critical Care, Educator, Community Paramedic

Essential Responsibilities Related to Client Privacy

- Expected to protect the privacy of all patient information in accordance with the District's privacy policies, procedures and practices as required by federal and Colorado law and in accordance with general principles of professionalism as a healthcare provider.
- May access protected health information and other patient information only to the extent that is necessary to complete job duties. May only share such information with those who have a need to know specific patient information to complete their job responsibilities related to treatment, payment or other company operations.
- Encouraged and expected to report, without the threat of retaliation, any concerns regarding the District's
 policies and procedures on patient privacy and any observed practices in violation of that policy to the
 designated Privacy Officer.
- Expected to actively participate in the District's privacy training and is required to communicate privacy policy information to coworkers, students, patients and others in accordance with District policy.

Area	Comments	Required	Preferred
Education	High School Diploma	\boxtimes	
Experience	Minimum of three years of experience in a 911 system (FP-C and Critical Care experience preferred) if coming from an outside agency		
Licenses or Accreditations	Current Colorado Paramedic certification must be state certified before hire date	\boxtimes	
	Current National Registry certification in Paramedic. Must be certified within 6 mos. of hire date	\boxtimes	
	Current certification in BLS/CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation), ACLS (Advanced Cardiac Life Support) and PALS (Pediatric Advanced Life Support)	\boxtimes	
	Valid State of Colorado motor vehicle operating license, with continued safe driving history		
	Each must be maintained and current for the duration of employment.	\boxtimes	
Computer Operations	Proficient computer skills; the ability to type, keyboard, and navigate in various programs.	\boxtimes	

Language and Communication	Ability to communicate orally with a wide range of		
	individuals, in various and potentially stressful situations.		
	Ability to read and interpret documents such as safety		
	rules, operating and maintenance instructions, and		
Skills	procedure manuals. Ability to write routine reports and		
	correspondence with a high degree of professionalism and		
	accuracy. Ability to effectively interact and communicate		
	with patients, co-workers and District staff.		
Reasoning Skills	Ability to solve practical problems and deal with a variety		
	of concrete variables in situations where only limited	\boxtimes	
	standardization exists. Ability to interpret a variety of		
	instructions furnished in written, oral, and diagram or		
	schedule form. Must practice sound decision-making		
	skills.		
	Ability to add, subtract, multiply, and divide in all units of		
Mathematical Skills	measure, using whole numbers, common fractions, and	\boxtimes	
	decimals. Ability to compute rate, ratio and percent.		
Language Ability	Bilingual in Spanish preferred		\boxtimes

Physical Demands

LIFTING					
Weight	NONE	UP TO 1/3	1/3 to 2/3	2/3 OR MORE	
Up to 10 Pounds				\boxtimes	
Up to 25 Pounds			\boxtimes		
Up to 50 Pounds		\boxtimes			
Up to 100 Pounds	\boxtimes				
More than 100 Pounds	×				

OTHER PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES REQUIRED					
Activities	NONE	UP TO 1/3	1/3 to 2/3	2/3 OR MORE	
Standing				\boxtimes	
Walking				\boxtimes	
Sitting			\boxtimes		
Driving, in all weather conditions			\boxtimes		
Digital dexterity (using hands and fingers to administer treatment)					
Reaching with hands and arms				\boxtimes	
Typing, using a keyboard or tablet, writing with a pen and paper			×		

Climb or balance (includes stairs,						
ambulance, outdoor or uneven terrain)						
Stoop, kneel, crouch or crawl					\boxtimes	
Talk and hear, in variable conditions					\boxtimes	
Taste or smell			\boxtimes			
OTHER REQUIRED ACTIVITIES A	ND DE	MANDS				
Indoor/Outdoor	Both i	ndoor and outdoo	r work (in all weath	er conditions) requ	ired.	
Hazardous Materials or Noise	Employees are frequently called to scenes that may involve hazards or hazardous materials and may potentially respond to a scene involving chemical or biological terrorism agents. Employees must always regard their safety first when responding to all scenes and always follow ECPS policy and procedure for dealing with these situations. The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate, but may be high at times due to vehicle and mechanical equipment noise.					
Equipment Used in Job		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	canner, smartphonenedical equipment/i		
Emotional Effort	Work environment is frequently hectic with exposure to highly emotional and stressful situations. Regular scheduling involves long shifts, regularly scheduled and unscheduled overtime and emergency callbacks.					
Other	Frequent travel throughout the work day within and outside of Eagle County.					
VISION:						
Close Vision ⊠		Distanc	e Vision 🗵	Col	or Vision 🗵	
Peripheral Vision ⊠		Depth Po	erception 🗵	Ability to	o adjust focus ⊠	
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: I acknowledge receipt of this job description. I understand that signing this job description does not create a contract of employment nor guarantee employment for any definite period of time. By signing below you signify that you have read the job posting and you understand, are able and willing to perform the essential functions and duties of the position with or without reasonable accommodation.						
Applicant's Name		Applican	t's Signature		 Date	