



Education Program Approval Criteria – Advanced Care Paramedic

Tentative Implementation Date: June 30, 2023.

	ACP
<p>Student enrollment/qualifications</p>	<p>Students must have a minimum two (2) years’ experience as a Primary Care Paramedic, be registered with the College of Paramedics of Manitoba, be in good standing, and hold a valid Certificate of Practice</p> <p>If not already completed for entry into a Primary Care Paramedic program, six (6) Credits of Post-Secondary Human Anatomy and Physiology (including lab component) completed within five (5) years of beginning an ACP Paramedic program.</p> <p>BLS level CPR current within 12 months</p> <p>Updated Immunizations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hepatitis B • Measles, mumps, rubella • Pertussis (adult) • Polio • Tetanus and diphtheria • Varicella (chickenpox) • Influenza <p>As well, students should obtain documentation of any previous tuberculin skin tests (TSTs or Mantoux), chest x-ray reports obtained after a positive TST, and documentation of a previous diagnosis of, or therapy for, latent tuberculosis infection (LTBI) or active tuberculosis disease</p> <p>COVID-19 immunization: requirements for Covid -19 immunization should align with current Provincial Ministerial and Public Health orders. Students should be aware of provincial requirements and College of Paramedics of Manitoba practice directions.</p> <p>CRVS/CA/AA checks current within 12 months. Checks received that are not clear are subject to review and consultation regarding employability. Education Providers should follow their policies regarding non-clear record checks.</p>



<p>Instructors / Faculty</p>	<p>Paramedic Instructors must be a minimum ACP with a minimum 5 years of clinical experience.</p> <p>Paramedicine Instructors must be registered with the College of Paramedics of Manitoba, are in good standing, and hold a valid Certificate of Practice</p> <p>Non-Paramedic instructors must be from a registered Health Professionals with relevant education credentials (Physician, RN, RT, etc.)</p> <p>All Faculty must receive a formal introduction and orientation to the Program and have a clear understanding of the content delivery expectations.</p> <p>Paramedic Faculty must have completed a formal training in Adult Education within 5 years (ex. Certificate in Adult Education, Teaching for Learning in Adult Education, Emergency Services Instructor Level 2)</p>
<p>Program Content</p>	<p>The primary purpose of the Program is to prepare students for work in the province of Manitoba.</p> <p>The Program must be accredited through Accreditation Canada (Equal).</p> <p>Program content will reflect Shared Health Manitoba Care Maps, Medications and Procedures (https://sharedhealthmb.ca/health-providers/ers/)</p> <p>Program content will include any NOCP variants as identified by the College of Paramedics of Manitoba.</p> <p>Resource materials reflect MB specific areas related to legislation. (Including but not limited to Regulated Health Professions Act, College of Paramedics of Manitoba General Regulations, Highway Traffic Act, Narcotic Act, etc.)</p> <p>All competency requirements will be met throughout the program.</p> <p>Clinical and Practicum sites must be located in Manitoba. (Other Canadian placement may be considered with prior approval of the College of Paramedics of Manitoba)</p> <p>Those serving as preceptors in Clinical and/or Practicum sites must have completed specific training provided by Education providers and approved by the College of Paramedics of Manitoba. In addition to the recording process, Preceptor training should include, but is not limited to an understanding of the NOCP Competencies, the definition of supervision (see NOCP definition of supervision), proficiency expectations (see NOCP definition of proficiency), policies and</p>



	<p>expectations should there be a critical incident and/or student suitability/fitness concerns, expectations of feedback format and documentation for students.</p> <p>Credit through a formal Prior Learning Assessments may be considered when required knowledge can be demonstrated.</p>
<p>Quality Assurance Requirements</p>	<p>The program will have a stakeholder program advisory committee.</p> <p>The program will have an annual QA/QI process for program, faculty and preceptor evaluation. Information will be used for program, faculty and preceptor improvement</p> <p>The ratio of faculty to students shall be 1:6 maximum is to ensure adequate supervision and monitoring for psychomotor performance</p>
<p>Simulated, Clinical, Practicum Competencies</p>	<p>The student must demonstrate proficiency in a designated Performance Environment.</p> <p>Proficiency involves the demonstration of skills, knowledge and abilities in accordance with the following principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consistency (the ability to repeat practice techniques and outcomes; this requires performance <i>more than once</i> in the appropriate Performance Environment) • Independence (the ability to practice without assistance from others) • Timeliness (the ability to practice in a time frame that enhances patient safety) • Accuracy (the ability to practice utilizing correct techniques and to achieve the intended outcomes) • Appropriateness (the ability to practice in accordance with clinical standards and protocols outlined within the practice jurisdiction) (see NOCP 2011 page 12) <p>Students must demonstrate proficiency in all NOCP Simulated (S) competencies prior to progressing to the related clinical and practicum experience components</p> <p>Students should have multiple opportunities to demonstrate proficiency and are required to demonstrate competencies more than once and in a variety of scenarios/situations.</p>
<p>Didactic and Simulated Content</p>	<p>No minimum contact hours are specified at this time. Emphasis should be placed on ensuring reasonable opportunities to attempt competencies and demonstrate proficiency.</p>



	<p>A contact hour is defined as: Organized, supervised educational activities including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in-class content delivery scheduled instruction/demonstration • distance content/activity delivery (live interaction with students) • proctored examinations • tutoring/consultation/practice <p>A contact hour does not include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • coffee or lunch breaks • pre-reading/assigned preparation • research assignments • homework
Clinical	No minimum hours are specified at this time. Emphasis should be placed on ensuring reasonable opportunities to attempt competencies and demonstrate proficiency.
Practicum	<p>No minimum hours are specified at this time. Emphasis should be placed on ensuring reasonable opportunities to attempt competencies and demonstrate proficiency.</p> <p>Practicum should include both urban and rural placements where/when possible. “Urban” is defined as cities with 10,000 people or greater. (Current cities in Manitoba include Winnipeg, Brandon, Steinbach, Thompson, Portage la Prairie, Winkler, Selkirk) “Rural” is defined as communities with less than 10,000 people.</p> <p>Preceptors must be registered with the College of Paramedics of Manitoba, be in good standing, and hold a valid Certificate of Practice.</p> <p>Preceptors must be classified as an Advanced Care Paramedic or higher and have a minimum of five (5) years of practical experience in a practicum setting.</p>
Evaluation	Before the conclusion of the Education Program, the student will successfully complete a summative or cumulative (including both didactic and psychomotor content learned) evaluation.



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Student enrollment/qualifications	<p>Minimum two (2) years' experience as a PCP and / or a health-related practice.</p> <p>CPR-HCP level current within 12 months</p> <p>Updated Immunization</p> <p>CR/CA/AA checks</p> <p>Recognized Post-Secondary Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human Anatomy and Physiology (6 credit hours) <p>(to be implemented within 3 years of program approval by the College of Paramedics of Manitoba)</p>
Instructors / Faculty	<p>Minimum ACP with extensive clinical experience</p> <p>EMS specific material taught by persons that are registered with the College of Paramedics of Manitoba and hold a valid Certificate of Practice</p> <p>Possess, or obtain, a Certificate in Adult education (or equivalent) within five years of employment</p> <p>Ancillary program educators must be deemed as knowledgeable /experienced, and a subject matter expert related to the topic of discussion or learning.</p>
Program Content	<p>Accreditation Canada (Equal) accredited Primary Care Paramedic (PCP) graduate or equivalent (Equivalency to be demonstrated through a Review of Prior Learning (RPL) process)</p> <p>Meets NOCP competency profile</p> <p>Will reflect Shared Health Manitoba Care Maps – Medications and Procedures</p> <p>Resource materials reflect MB specific areas related to legislation.</p>
Quality Assurance Requirements	<p>The program will have a stakeholder program advisory committee.</p> <p>The program will have a Quality Assurance and Continuous Quality Improvement process that collects and analyses data, and improves the program based on that data.</p>
Simulated Competencies	<p>Students must successfully demonstrate all related NOCP Simulated (S) competencies prior to progressing to the related clinical and practicum experience components</p>
Contact hours	TBD (No Previous Standard)
Clinical	TBD (No Previous Standard)
Practicum	TBD (No Previous Standard)
Evaluation	TBD (No Previous Standard)