

***Paramedic Care Principles & Practice V1, 5e* (Bledsoe et al.)**
Chapter 1 Introduction to Paramedicine

1) What is one of the emerging roles and responsibilities of a paramedic in the 21st century?

- A) Third-party biller
- B) Managed health care
- C) Health promotion
- D) Internet education

Answer: C

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Objective: 4

2) Safety inspections, accident prevention, and medical screening of employees are some of the responsibilities for paramedics working in:

- A) industrial medicine.
- B) community clinics.
- C) correctional institutions.
- D) sports medicine.

Answer: A

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Objective: 5

3) Which of the following best describes the initial education program of the paramedic?

- A) It addresses everything one needs to know to practice paramedicine.
- B) It is a rite of passage, but information is inconsistent with how things really should be done.
- C) It is the base and beginning of one's professional education, not the end.
- D) Lectures prepare students, but all learning occurs on the job during the internship phase.

Answer: C

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Objective: 3

4) Which of the following best describes the paramedic's professional obligation?

- A) Acceptance and adherence to a code of professional ethics and etiquette
- B) Placing the system's well-being above that of the patient
- C) Absolute adherence to medical protocols
- D) Following long-standing traditions in practice

Answer: A

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Objective: 3

- 5) A major advance in the education of out-of-hospital was the:
- A) formation of the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians.
 - B) 2009 publication *National EMS Services Education Standards*.
 - C) passage of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).
 - D) establishment of the National Registry computer-based certification exam.

Answer: B

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Objective: 4

- 6) Which of the following statements about a paramedic's skill competency is TRUE?
- A) High-frequency, low-criticality skills should be reviewed often.
 - B) Low-frequency, high-criticality skills should be rarely reviewed.
 - C) All skills should be reviewed equally, regardless of criticality.
 - D) Frequent review of infrequently used skills is critical to ensure competency.

Answer: D

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Objective: 3

- 7) The paramedic's right to care for patients, administer medications, and perform other related tasks falls on the license of:
- A) the EMS system medical director.
 - B) the state secretary of health.
 - C) the receiving hospital personnel.
 - D) the state medical director.

Answer: A

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Objective: 4

- 8) Many professional sports teams have found paramedics to be effective complements to their:
- A) team physicians.
 - B) physical therapists.
 - C) athletic trainers.
 - D) rehabilitation programs.

Answer: C

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Objective: 5

- 9) Paramedics should always provide care:
- A) with the intent of transporting all patients.
 - B) only when there is a legitimate patient complaint.
 - C) without regard to a patient's ability to pay.
 - D) with the goal of minimizing on-scene time.

Answer: C

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Standard: Preparatory (EMS Systems)

Objective: 4

- 10) The paramedic's role has expanded to include _____ because of the need to move ill/injured patients from one health care facility to another for specialized care.

- A) hospital emergency departments
- B) critical care transport
- C) corrections medicine
- D) helicopter EMS

Answer: B

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Standard: Preparatory (EMS Systems)

Objective: 4

- 11) Which of the following best characterizes the professional development of a paramedic?

- A) It is a career-long pursuit.
- B) It is focused on public education efforts.
- C) It is regulated by the system medical director and state agency.
- D) It is focused on illness and injury prevention.

Answer: A

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Objective: 3

- 12) Which of the following best describes the paramedic's expected level of functioning in the dynamic prehospital setting?

- A) Acts independently
- B) Under direct supervision of the medical director
- C) Under telephone or radio supervision by nursing personnel
- D) Under direct supervision of fire command

Answer: A

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Objective: 3

13) Which of the following aspects of the paramedic's work most appropriately falls into the category of public health?

- A) Administering care to a patient who has suffered a heart attack
- B) Providing life-saving measures after a traffic accident
- C) Educating the public on illness prevention
- D) Taking steps to prevent a terrorist attack

Answer: C

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Objective: 4

14) To legally function as a paramedic, one must:

- A) have successfully completed an accredited EMT education program.
- B) have fulfilled the specific requirements of an appropriate credentialing body.
- C) strive to maintain quality health care, regardless of cost or impact on one's EMS system.
- D) be able to function independently in a nonstructured, constantly changing environment.

Answer: B

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Objective: 3

15) Many traditional EMS treatments and practices have been abandoned or refined because of:

- A) research.
- B) patient complaints.
- C) legislation.
- D) lawsuits.

Answer: A

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Objective: 4

16) The highest level of prehospital care provider in the United States is a(n):

- A) emergency medical responder.
- B) paramedic.
- C) advanced EMT.
- D) emergency medical technician.

Answer: B

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Objective: 2

17) To practice, paramedics must be approved by a state or provincial agency and the:

- A) National Association of EMTs.
- B) National Registry of EMTs.
- C) EMS system's medical director.
- D) state medical director.

Answer: C

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Objective: 3

18) Which of the following is a desirable paramedic characteristic?

- A) The ability to give medical advice
- B) A commanding presence on the scene
- C) The ability to establish rapport with a wide variety of patients
- D) The ability to exactly follow protocols on each and every call

Answer: C

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Objective: 3

19) Which of the following agencies developed and published the 2009 *EMS Instructional Guidelines*?

- A) The National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians
- B) The National Association of State EMS Training Coordinators
- C) The National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians
- D) The United States Department of Transportation

Answer: D

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Objective: 3

20) Where do many of the practices and techniques of tactical EMS come from?

- A) Police
- B) Firefighters
- C) Military
- D) Critical care medics

Answer: C

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Objective: 5

21) Which of these terms is a synonym of "mobile integrated health care?"

- A) industrial medicine
- B) illness prevention
- C) corrections medicine
- D) community paramedicine

Answer: D

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Objective: 1