



COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

Lancaster County Emergency Services, in cooperation with Kilmarnock-Lancaster Volunteer Rescue Squad and Upper Lancaster Volunteer Rescue Squad, is offering an Emergency Medical Technician Course.

WHEN: September 5, 2017 through March 31, 2018

*This will be offered as a blended classroom/online program and will meet on selected Saturdays and occasional weekday evenings throughout the course. **Detailed information provided at course orientation on August 31, 2017 at 6:30 PM.***

*Access to the Internet is required to complete course assignments. **Due to the format of this course, time management to complete assignments on-time will be required for successful completion of the program.***

WHERE: Kilmarnock-Lancaster Volunteer Rescue Squad

COST: \$450 (includes textbook and digital access)
• Practical testing fee of \$50 not included

REGISTER: <https://lancasteremt2017.eventbrite.com>

For more information, contact Chief McGregor at tmcgregor@lancova.com.

The Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) certification program is designed to train an individual to function independently in a medical emergency. This course provides the basic knowledge and skills needed to deliver Basic Life Support (BLS) care and is required to progress to more advanced levels of prehospital patient care.

Virginia certification requires successful completion of a standardized cognitive and psychomotor skills examination. This course is designed to train individuals to serve as a vital link in the chain of the health care team. This includes all skills necessary to provide emergency medical care as an attendant-in-charge with a basic life support ambulance service or other specialized rescue service.

Upon successfully completion of the training program, the student will be capable of performing the following functions:

- (1) Recognize the nature and seriousness of the patient's condition or extent of injury to assess requirements for emergency care.
- (2) Administer appropriate emergency care to stabilize the patient's condition.
- (3) Lift, move, position and otherwise handle the patient in a way as to minimize discomfort and further injury.

The EMT training program is based upon the Virginia EMS Education Standards derived the USDOT National EMS Education Standards.

MISSION

The Lancaster County Department of Emergency Services is dedicated to ensuring the highest quality, compassionate care to residents, visitors and employees of the County of Lancaster. To that end, we shall:

- promote healthy lifestyles amongst our staff and the public;
- demonstrate a commitment to service excellence;
- provide training and education opportunities to maintain and enhance service;
- maintain a high standard of care through investment in technology and equipment;
- collaborate with other public safety organizations to achieve common goals;
- and, be progressive and dynamic in light of a rapidly changing healthcare system.

VISION

The Lancaster County Department of Emergency Services is committed to the provision of timely, exceptional patient care, with optimal outcomes, while maintaining a safe, productive and comfortable work environment for our staff.

VALUES

The Lancaster County Department of Emergency Services values:

- Compassion – demonstrating sincerity and caring, in all interactions and without judgment.
- Empathy – emphasizing and responding to the concerns of patients and their families.
- Stewardship – maximizing the potential of fiscal, tangible and human resources for the benefit of the public.
- Integrity – instilling trust, demonstrated through action.
- Quality – exceeding expectations through exceptional patient care.
- Respect – engaging interaction, open dialogue and honest communication.