

PARAMEDIC SERVICES

Paramedics are often the first responders in an emergency medical situation assessing a patient's condition to determine the extent of his or her injury or illness and immediate care needs.

PARAMEDIC/EMERGENCY
MEDICAL TECHNICIAN
ADVANCED CARE PARAMEDIC
CRITICAL CARE PARAMEDIC

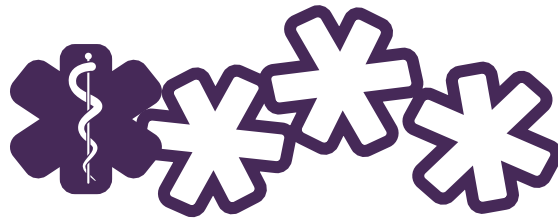
paramedic / emergency medical technician

A Paramedic is often a first responder in the line of Health Care. A Paramedic provides medical care to patients enroute to hospital. They assess patients and initiate pre-hospital medical care. There are different levels of Paramedics in Nova Scotia. Most commonly are the Primary Care Paramedic (PCP), the Advanced Care Paramedic (ACP), and the Critical Care Paramedic (CCP) who, in addition to the care administered by the PCP, can also administer medication, interpret 12-lead ECG's and perform invasive treatments.

Approximate salary:

\$24.50 – \$30.25 per hour

*higher salary for advanced training



Academic requirements:

- Completion of Grade 12 (diploma or GED) with math at the grade 11 or grade 12 university preparatory level and one science at the grade 11 or grade 12 university preparatory level. All applicants will be required to go through an interview and testing session and acceptance into the PCP program is based on how well an applicant does in the process.
- Successful completion of the Primary Care Paramedicine program.
- Must be eligible for a Class 4 Driver's license.

Educational institute(s) in Nova Scotia offering a program:

- Medavie HealthEd College of Paramedicine

advanced care paramedic (acp)

For individuals who are looking for advanced training and the ability to perform more medically related care as a paramedic can apply for the Advanced Care Paramedicine program at the Medavie HealthEd College of Paramedicine. To be eligible for the program an individual must be currently registered as an active paramedic or have graduated from a paramedic program within the last six years.

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critical care paramedic (ccp)

Advanced Care Paramedics who have completed a set number of hours in the field are able to pursue the CCP designation and further their knowledge in the field of Paramedicine. CCP's typically focus on patient transfers as opposed to responding to distress calls.

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These careers are regulated by the Nova Scotia Department of Health and Wellness. To work as a paramedic in Nova Scotia an individual must register with and receive a certificate from Emergency Health Services.



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