



## **PARAMEDIC ACCREDITATION**

### Eligibility Requirements for Los Angeles County Paramedic Accreditation:

- Paramedic Coordinator shall contact be the point of contact with the EMS Agency for scheduling attendance of all personnel for Accreditation Examination. Registration must be completed a minimum of one week prior to scheduled examination. Examination is scheduled once per month.
  - ◆ Provide proof of current California Paramedic license.
  - ◆ Submit a Los Angeles County EMS Agency application for accreditation.
  - ◆ Pay the current established fee noted on the application for accreditation.
  - ◆ Submit written verification of employment (letter of sponsorship) by an approved Los Angeles County Paramedic Provider Agency.
  - ◆ Accreditation Study packet obtained online prior to taking examination.
    - Note: Paramedic must study these materials prior to the exam in order to ensure successful completion. All necessary study materials for the accreditation examination are included in the accreditation fee and obtained from the EMS Agency web site.
  - ◆ Applicant must arrive on time or will not be permitted to take examination.
  - ◆ Pass the written accreditation examination
  - ◆ Complete the current mandatory training programs
    - EMS Update – current year
    - WMD/NBC – schedule available on the web site or show proof of minimum 3 hour course that meets the LA County EMS Disaster NBC/WMD training objectives.
      - If WMD/NBC is not completed within 6 months of application, accreditation will be suspended and will result in the inability to work.

The accreditation process must be completed within 30 days of receipt of the initial application. If this time frame cannot be met, the individual shall submit a new application and fee to begin another 30-day period.

Upon receipt of the required documentation, the EMS Agency will provide documentation to the Paramedic Coordinator which will allow the paramedic to begin working for his/her agency within the California Paramedic Basic Scope of Practice if accompanied by a Los Angeles County accredited paramedic. Los Angeles County Accreditation will be granted upon verification of licensure and successful completion of the accreditation examination. Refer to Ref. No. 1006 - Paramedic Accreditation. A letter is provided to the Paramedic registered for the course.

**Paramedic Interns** shall contact their Paramedic Training Program Director and meet all requirements in Ref. No. 903 - Paramedic Intern Clinical Experience and Field Internship Requirements prior to the Program Director registering the intern for the Accreditation examination.

Additional questions regarding Los Angeles County Accreditation may be facilitated by the Paramedic Coordinator or Training Program Director to the Office of Certification at (562) 347-1537.