

Employment Opportunity: Paramedic

Job Summary and Essential Functions:

This position typically provides primary medical care to the residents of Berkeley County; ensures the safety and welfare of patients; and deals courteously and professionally with coworkers and the public.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

Checks ambulance and station supplies to assure stocking levels meet the Berkeley County EMS minimum stock requirements and reports the results to the appropriate personnel for action. Ensures the safe operation of EMS vehicles and follows all applicable Federal, State and Local rules on the operation of EMS vehicles. Operates a mobile communications system using standard radio procedures. Performs patient reporting to all applicable medical and non-medical agencies. Knows the EMS role at simple and complex incidents and functions within an Incident Command Structure. Responds to special operations such as rescue scenes, hazardous materials incidents, bombs/bomb threats, crime scenes, mass casualty incidents, terrorist incidents, inclement weather events, etc. Attends training and maintains all Berkeley County EMS and DHEC applicable training requirements (IST, coursework, OSHA mandates and governmental mandated materials). Attends EMS related functions (staff meetings, public education events, P/R demonstrations). Follows the directives contained within the BCEMS Standard Operating Procedures, the Berkeley County Government Personnel Manual, materials issued by senior EMS personnel and Federal, State and Local rules, regulations and mandates. Maintains discipline and ensures adherence to established rules, regulations, policies and procedures for junior personnel under his/her control. Communicates with hospital personnel to expedite treatment. Assures that daily unit check-off sheets are completed. Performs other duties as assigned.

Emergency Medical Services:

Provides primary medical care to victims of accident or sudden illness within Berkeley County. Provides navigational support to the vehicle operator when patient care is not ongoing. Performs patient care and the cleaning of the ambulance, EMS equipment and the station in keeping with the Federal, State and local guidelines for blood-borne pathogens. Administers medical care up to the level of EMT Paramedic as outlined by the current state curriculum described in the Berkeley County Standard Operating Procedure Manual. Assesses the nature and extent of injury or illness to establish and prioritize medical procedures to be followed. Treats patients at the scene, en route to the hospital and in a pre-hospital setting in accordance with federal, state and local laws, regulations and standards and in accordance with Berkeley County EMS policies, rules and guidelines. Evaluates patient conditions and establishes priorities for emergency care.

Minimum Requirements to Perform Work:

High School diploma or equivalent; Five (5) years of experience as a Basic Emergency Medical Technician; Special Requirements: SC Basic Emergency Medical Technician Certificate; Must have successfully completed a South Carolina or National Registry Paramedic course; Must be currently certified through a standard Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC); Must maintain continuous AHA Basic Cardiac Life Support (BCLS) certification and AHA Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) certification; Must maintain the following National Incident Management System certifications (IS700, ICS100 and ICS200); An International Trauma Life Support (ITLS) certification preferred; A Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) certification preferred; Attend all OSHA and Berkeley County mandated training on a yearly basis including but are not limited to, blood borne pathogens, fire extinguishers, ergonomics, MSDS, safe work practices and drug and alcohol; Must have and maintain a valid driver's

license for South Carolina with safe driving record; Departmental testing may be administered during interview; A criminal background check will be completed on selected applicant if a current one (less than 3 years old) is not on file. This is a safety sensitive position and is subject to random drug and alcohol testing. This position is considered emergency essential and will be required to report to work during any declared emergency situation.?

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

Skill in using small office equipment and personal computers including Word and Excel preferred. Ability to function in cramped and confined spaces, unsanitary conditions or hazardous environments such as those created by fire, traffic collisions, mechanical collapse, weather and human acts. Physical Demands This position requires the employee to sit, stand and use hands to handle, feel, finger, grasp or operate objects, tools or controls; reach with hands and arms; use mental acuity and repetitive motion; balance, climb, crawl, crouch, kneel and stoop; and walk, talk and hear. The employee must occasionally lift, pull or push up to one hundred eighty (180) pounds with one assistant. Cardiovascular conditioning should be sufficient for the extended performance of cardiac chest compressions, maneuvering and lifting of the gurney and other transport tools, and transport of medical equipment and patient belongings. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, depth perception and the ability to adjust focus.

Work Conditions:

The work is regularly performed in a safe and secure work environment that may periodically have unpredicted requirements or demands. 24/48 hour work rotation on assigned unit. Scheduled hours/days, job location, duties and any other information contained herein are subject to change. May be required to work extra hours and to perform extra or different duties during emergency situations

Salary:

\$14.36 - \$16.51 Hourly

\$1,838.09 - \$2,113.80 Bi-Weekly

\$47,790.37 - \$54,958.93 Annually