

## New York State – Department of Health – Bureau of Emergency Medical Services

### *Vital Signs Conference*

#### Continuing Education Credits

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The following applies ONLY to the Vital Signs 2007 Conference and should not be applied in any other manner.

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#### General Credits

General continuing education credits are awarded by the *Center for Healthcare Education, Inc.* When attendees check in at the Conference Registration Desk, they will be given a packet including Post-Tests for each conference session. Attendees must complete these Post-Tests after each session they attend and hand in the completed Post-Tests by the end of the conference. Post-Tests are to be handed in at the Center for Healthcare Education booth, located near the conference registration area. Approximately six weeks afterwards, attendees should receive a Center for Healthcare Education certificate awarding the continuing education credits.

#### NYS CME Program Credits (Formerly known as the “Pilot” Program)

Credits that may be applied towards the *New York State Continuing Medical Education Based Recertification Program* (CME Program) are awarded as a joint effort between the Center for Healthcare Education and the NYS Department of Health Bureau of Emergency Medical Services.

- **“Non-Core” Additional Hours:** All conference participation time may be applied as “Non-Core” Additional Hours. To receive and document these “non-core” credits:
  1. The EMT must follow the procedure described above for General Credits; **and**
  2. The EMT must keep on file (at their EMS Agency) a copy of their Center for Healthcare Education certificate, **and** a copy of the Vital Signs brochure describing each conference session.
  
- **“Core” Refresher Training:** Only conference time specifically indicated may be applied as “Core” Refresher Training. Sessions approved for “core” credits are indicated by an asterisk ( \* ) in the Vital Signs brochure. Those sessions, with the available credits, are also listed below. To receive and document these “core” credits:
  1. The EMT must follow the procedure described above for General Credits, **and** any other procedure as directed during the conference; **and**
  2. The EMT must keep on file (at their EMS Agency) a copy of their Center for Healthcare Education certificate, **and** a copy of the Vital Signs brochure describing each conference session; **and**
  3. The EMT must keep on file (at their EMS Agency) the verification letter issued to them by the Certified Instructor Coordinator (CIC) overseeing the conference session. (This letter will be issued through the DOH Bureau of EMS approximately six weeks after the conference.)

**Questions? Contact the Bureau of EMS CME Program at 518-402-0996 ext. 1,4**

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**"Core" Continuing Medical Education Credits**  
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	Basic	Intermediate	Critical Care	Paramedic
<b>BLS "Core" Content Refresher</b>	2 Hrs. Preparatory 1 Hr. Basic Airway 1 Hr. Basic Patient Assessment 4 Hrs. Basic Pharmacology/Cardiac/Respiratory 1 Hr. Neurology/Altered Mental 1 Hr. Environmental 1 Hr. Toxicology/Poisoning 2 Hrs. Basic Trauma 2 Hrs. Obstetrics/Gynecology		15 Hrs. Non-Core Additional Hours ONLY	
<b>ALS "Core" Content Refresher</b>	15 Hrs. Non-Core Additional Hours ONLY		5 Hrs. Preparatory 2 Hrs. Neurology 2 Hrs. Toxicology/Poisonings 1 Hr. Environmental 1 Hr. Behavioral 1 Hr. Infectious Diseases 2 Hrs. Special Needs/Chronic Care 1 Hr. Abuse and Assault	
<b>Advanced Medical Life Support (AMLS)</b>	15 Hrs. Non-Core Additional Hours ONLY	3 Hrs. Advanced Airway 2 Hrs. Advanced Patient Assessment 2 Hrs. Advanced Trauma 8 Hours "Non-Core" Additional Hours	3 Hrs. Airway 2 Hrs. Trauma 4 Hrs. Respiratory/Cardiac 3 Hrs. Neurological/Abdominal 3 Hrs. "Non-Core" Additional Hours	3 Hrs. Airway/Ventilation 2 Hrs. Trauma 4 Hrs. Pulmonary & Cardiac 1 Hr. Neurology/Endocrinology 2 Hrs. Gastroenterology/Renal 3 Hrs. "Non-Core" Additional Hours
<b>Go Beyond the Rule of Nines...Burn and Blast Injuries</b>	7 Hrs. Trauma			
<b>"20 Commandments" to Better Patient Assessment</b>	1.5 Hrs. Basic Patient Assessment		1.5 Hrs. Preparatory	
<b>Small Potatoes: Common Prehospital Pediatric Problems</b>	1.5 Hrs. Infants & Children / Pediatrics			
<b>Cerebral Injuries: Bleeds to Blocks - Spontaneous to Traumatic</b>	1.5 Hrs. Elective		1.5 Hrs. Neurology	
<b>Oral Maxillofacial Trauma</b>	1.5 Hrs. Trauma			
<b>Respiratory Analysis</b>	1.5 Hrs. Elective		1.5 Hrs. Respiratory/Pulmonary	
<b>Crashing Asthmatics</b>	1.5 Hrs. General Pharmacology/Respiratory/Cardiac		1.5 Hrs. Respiratory/Pulmonary	
<b>How We Die: The Pathophysiology of Cardiac Arrest</b>	1.5 Hrs. General Pharmacology/Respiratory/Cardiac		1.5 Hrs. Cardiology	
<b>Code Management</b>	1.5 Hrs. General Pharmacology/Respiratory/Cardiac		1.5 Hrs. Cardiology	
<b>Was It Something I Said?</b>	1.5 Hrs. Preparatory			
<b>Delivering Bad News to Good People</b>	1.5 Hrs. Preparatory			
<b>Prehospital Pharmacology: A Common Sense Approach</b>	1.5 Hrs. General Pharmacology/Respiratory/Cardiac		1.5 Hrs. Preparatory	
<b>NYS EMS Operations Update</b>	1.5 Hrs. Elective		1.5 Hrs. Operations	