HELP WANTED: City of New Bedford seeking to fill Paramedic (EMS-2) position

Emergency Medical Services — Paramedic (variable time) EMS-2 PAY: \$19.89hr

Examine, assess and stabilize patients at emergency scene, i.e., hemorrhage control, treatment for shock, immobilization of fractures, bandaging, proper treatment for burns, poisoning or drug overdose, deliver newborns, manage mentally disturbed patients, etc.

Obtain medical history, check vital signs; advise/inform Medical Control at the hospital of diagnostic indications. Perform definitive life support; administer treatment and utilize advanced life support equipment and procedures as directed by authorized physician and State treatment protocols, i.e., endotracheal intubations, defibrillation, synchronized cardioversion, nasogastric intubations, closed chest decompression, intravenous administration of drugs and fluids, external trans thoracic cardiac pacing, and interpret 12 lead EKG's, etc.

Respond to a wide range of emergency situations as required. Control scene of medical emergency; conduct triage, treatment and transportation at mass casualty incidents. Document prehospital care received by patients to facilitate admission to health care facility. Prepare patients for transport; monitor patients in ambulance to maintain patient stability, administer additional treatment when necessary. Operate ambulances and other emergency vehicles as needed to and from scene of emergency.

Current certification as an Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic by the Mass. DPH, and current certification as a CPR healthcare provider by the American Heart Association (M.G.L., Ch 111C, Section 3 and 6). Current certification in Advanced Cardiac Life Support by AHA. Subject to re-certification by the State Office of Emergency Medical Service.

One year of Paramedic experience preferred but not required.

Knowledge of pharmacology, and drugs used in advanced life support and possible reactions; Federal and State drug laws; pathophysiology; advanced human anatomy and physiology; medical telemetry; Advanced Life Support equipment; MGL, Ch 89, 90, and 111C; Mass. DPH re-certification requirements; regional communication protocols. Knowledge of major transportation routes in the locality, defensive and emergency driving procedures, emergency medical service vehicle limitations, local emergency medical service Point-of-Entry procedures.

Certain immunizations will be recommended and/or required prior to commencement of employment duties.

For application/complete job description, please visit www.newbedford-ma.gov or contact the Personnel Dept., 133 William St., Room 212, 508-979-1444. Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is found. EE0

New Bedford has a residency requirement.