



## PARAMEDIC CURRICULUM

Within the past 25 years, the development of Emergency Medical Systems has significantly improved the caliber of care provided prior to arrival at the hospital. Arnot Ogden Medical Center and Corning Community College have developed a training and educational program for paramedics which prepares students to meet the increasing demands of pre-hospital emergency care.

Professionals in the field of emergency medicine have developed the Arnot Ogden Medical Center's course to equip students with the knowledge, skills and values necessary to develop as a pre-hospital emergency medicine professional.

The Standard Track Paramedic Course is an eleven (11) month course. In this program, students receive instruction in the practice of pre-hospital emergency medicine through lecture, labs, clinical and field training. The curriculum is designed to involve students in the four components of training concurrently. This enables paramedic students to master theory and practical application quickly.

The didactic material provides the foundation for understanding the purpose and objectives of clinical treatments. The office of Paramedic Education believes that this is the distinction between the clinician and the technician. This philosophy provides the rationale for the development of a comprehensive classroom curriculum. The Arnot Ogden Medical Center maintains an extensive array of training manikins, models and equipment specifically for practice of the psychomotor skill development. Additionally, there is an abundance of computer software programs, available twenty-four (24) hours a day, on a dedicated state-of-the-art computer.

The curriculum has been designed to provide the student with an opportunity to obtain certification in:

- \* American Heart Association Basic Cardiac Life Support (BCLS)
- \* American Heart Association Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)
- \* American College of Emergency Physician's Basic Trauma Life Support (BTLS)
- \* American Heart Association Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)

To meet the demands of the ever-changing field of EMS the Arnot Ogden Medical Center has joined with Corning Community College to provide a comprehensive paramedic program and an associate degree in EMT:Paramedic. The Arnot Ogden Medical Center's paramedic program is worth thirty-six (36) credit hours towards the Corning Community College's sixty-two (62) credit hours necessary for the degree in EMT:Paramedic. This relationship provides the best of both worlds – a clinical based setting with academic quality.

As students are instructed in the theoretical practice of pre-hospital emergency medicine, they participate in various supervised clinical experiences. These experiences are designed to refine the skills involved in patient care. During the clinical and field training, students have an opportunity to rotate through some of the most respected health care facilities in the area.

While in training, each student completes a total of 308 hours of in-hospital clinical experience in the following:

- \* Emergency Department
- \* Intensive Care Units
- \* Morgue
- \* Operating and Recovering Room
- \* Intravenous Team
- \* Pediatrics
- \* Psychiatric
- \* Obstetrics/Gynecology (Labor Suite, Delivery Room, Newborn Nursery, ect.)

As part of the program, students serve 152 hours of field internship with area ALS ambulance services. This training enables students to apply their knowledge and clinical skills in the pre-hospital environment. Each student is assigned an experienced paramedic who will serve as a preceptor and mentor throughout the course.

The curriculum of the paramedic training course meets or exceeds all of the minimum training requirements as established by the United States Department of Transportation in the EMT-Paramedic National Standard Curriculum. Upon successful graduation from the program, the student is eligible to sit for the New York State Paramedic Certification Examinations and the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians EMT-P Examination.

**Required Text:**

Paramedic Emergency Care, 3rd Edition, Porter, Brady	\$65.00
Paramedic Emergency Care Workbook, 3rd Edition, Porter, Brady	\$33.00
Advanced Cardiac Life Support Test, American Heart Association	\$25.00
Pediatric Advanced Life Support Text, American Heart Association	\$30.00
EMS Field Guide Info Med, Current Edition	\$15.00
Advanced Basic Trauma Life Support Text	\$35.00

**The following textbooks are optional:**

EKGs Made Easy	\$30.00
Paramedic National Review	\$25.00

All required textbooks are available at the Arnot Ogden Medical Center's department of EMS Training, as well as numerous other facilities, and can be picked up anytime.

## PREREQUISITES

Prior to admission to the Arnot Ogden Medical Center's Paramedic program, the student must:

1. Be at least 18 years of age
2. Be currently certified as an EMT in the state of New York\*(certification has to be good **active** through the entire paramedic program)
3. Submit a completed application with high school and college transcripts
4. Complete pre-admission health examination (to be scheduled after the receipt of the student's application). FINAL ACCEPTANCE into the program is based on the results of the history and physical.
5. Meet all prerequisites for EMS2100, Paramedic I, as described in the Corning Community College Catalog.

\*=Student with EMT Certification from other states, must apply for NYS certification. Do so by requesting a reciprocity packet from:

EMSTAR  
315 W. Water Street  
Elmira, NY 14901  
Telephone: 607-732-2354 x105  
[www.EMSTAR.org](http://www.EMSTAR.org)

### NOTES:

- \* History and physical forms need to be completed at least two weeks prior to the start of the program. Failure to comply with this regulation will disqualify your entry into the program.
- \* Admission into the Paramedic Program is nondiscriminatory with respect to race, color, creed, sex, age, or national origin.

## TUITION

Tuition for Paramedic training program includes, tuition, malpractice insurance, uniform supplies, parking and all specialty certifications (PALS, BLS, ACLS). Financial aid is available to qualified applicants.

\$3064. for NYS residents \*. (Includes 36 college credits, tuition payable to Corning Community College - \$1532. per semester).

\$6128. for out-of-state residents (Includes 36 college credits, tuition payable to Corning Community College).

\*=Residency is determined by the student's permanent address 12 months prior to the start of the program.

**NOTE:** The tuition rates are estimated rates. Actual rates are based on Corning Community College rates, at the time of registration. Additional fees may apply.

**NOTE:** Tuition refunds will be based on the current Corning Community College policy for tuition refunding. (Please see the CCC catalog for a description of this policy or visit our website at [www.corning-cc.edu](http://www.corning-cc.edu) .)

Transportation, food and parking during the course are the financial responsibility of the student.

## **FACULTY**

In designing the paramedic program, the Office of EMS Education has examined every aspect of the instructional process to ensure that the highest quality of education is provided. It has been our experience that students benefit most from those instructors with a strong educational background coupled with hands-on experience in emergency medicine.

### **ROBERT C. RAJSKY, MS Ed., NREMT-P: PARAMEDIC PROGRAM COORDINATOR**

Mr. Rajsky is the Arnot Ogden Medical Center's Paramedic Coordinator. He has his Masters degree in Education and brings twenty years of Emergency Medical Services experience to the program. Mr. Rajsky is the Chairman of the STREMS Council and is active in the delivery of Pre-hospital Medicine with Erway Ambulance Service. Mr. Rajsky has completed a specialized Paramedic Program at the Center of Emergency Medicine in Pittsburgh, PA. While Completing this program, he was involved in Emergency Medical Services research and he worked with some of the biggest names in EMS today. Mr. Rajsky is a Regional Faculty member for ACLS, PALS, and NYS EMS.

### **ADJUNCT FACULTY**

The Program's adjunct teaching staff is compiled of medical professionals regarded to be experts within their specialty areas.

## **ADVANCED STANDING POLICY**

Students will be allowed to have advanced standing for clinical experience. Advance standing waivers will be granted by the Medical Director. To be eligible, a student must fill out an "Application for Advanced Standing" for EACH AREA in which the student would like to receive advanced standing. All applications for advanced standing must be received the 4<sup>th</sup> week of class. NO STUDENT WILL BE ALLOWED TO CHALLENGE OUT OF ANY CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES.