



AHASTI Emergency Medical Responder Program Registration Package

Course Description

The AHASTI EMR is a 240-hour all-inclusive program, approved by the Alberta College of Paramedics, that prepares future EMS practitioners for the EMS community. It is structured to train students to work as members of the EMS community through lectures and lab practice. Students are expected to have 100% attendance, complete home assignments/online studies, and demonstrate professionalism and integrity as practitioners throughout the program.

Topic areas are first presented by examining the theory related to a particular condition followed by the practical aspect of emergency care. The course outline will detail the order of the presentation topics to allow for advanced reading of topics before delivery of lectures. All components of the EMR program are mandatory and must be completed for a successful completion.

EMR candidates will complete and receive several certifications including:

- AHASTI EMR Certificate
- Basic Life Support CPR
- Professional Driver's Improvement Course
- Canadian Red Cross Psychological First Aid
- International Trauma Life Support (ITLS) Basic

The EMR program will also include Patient Engagement opportunities on sick and/or not sick patients. These sessions will provide students with the opportunity to use their knowledge and skills learned in the program as well as work on their communication skills.

Our goal is for the student to be comfortable as an EMS member in the community. Our professional instructor base is made up of experienced Primary and Advanced Care Paramedics and others who are instructors for various agencies who are highly dedicated to their students.

Job Outlook for EMRs

All successful AHASTI EMR graduates will be required to register with the Alberta College of Paramedics (the College) to gain employment as an Emergency Medical Responder in Alberta. For more information about the College, their fees, and the registration process, please go to www.abparamedics.com.

Employment opportunities for EMRs include:

- Industrial Job Sites – Onsite attendants
- Rural Ambulance Attendants
- Patient Transfer Agencies
- Medical Standbys at sporting events, movie sets, concerts, etc.
- To search current job postings, we recommend: www.albertaparamediccareers.ca.

The AHASTI EMR program is for those interested in starting their career in EMS or gaining employment as an oil field medical attendant.

Course Content

- Core Knowledge and Skills according to the National Occupational Competency Profile
- Basic vehicle and ambulance operations
- BLS CPR as well as additional airway management, oxygen therapy, AED
- Medical Terminology, Anatomy and Physiology, and Pathophysiology
- Safe Work Environment including PPE, WHMIS, and occupational hazards.
- Leadership and communication
- Primary and Secondary Surveys
- Vitals and history-taking
- Assess and care for illnesses and injuries.
- Pharmacology and medication administration
- Psychological First Aid
- ITLS Basic

Course Duration

- The EMR course is 240 hours in length
- Home study and assignments will be assigned, expect several hours each week of additional studying.
- Program Contracts will be written as a 12 week program. However actual course schedules will be assigned for each program date and will vary from weekdays, to weekends, and evenings.

Additional Programs

As per the Alberta College of Paramedics EMR Program Standards, the EMR program must include ITLS Basic and basic ambulance operations. All components of the program will be complete by the end of the program contract dates.

Note: Some course components are offered in Calgary only, Red Deer students will be required to travel.

Registration Process

Upon registration into the program, all documents and paperwork will be required to be submitted. It is the responsibility of each applicant to ensure that the package is complete with all required documentation attached.

Please note that all EMR Students who are accepted into the program will be provided with a Liability Waiver package online which they must sign during the orientation day.

Mandatory Requirements to be submitted:

- Valid Class 5 Driver's License – Copy of Alberta Class 5 driver's license is required (GDL is accepted).
- Standard First Aid with CPR level C – Current at the start of the EMR program.
- High school Courses (or equivalent) – unofficial transcripts or copies will be accepted.
 - English 30-1 or 30-2
 - Math 10 C or 20-1 or 20 Applied or 20-2
 - Biology 30
- 18 years of age (recommended) - AHASTI does not require students in the class to be 18 years of age, however, many Patient Engagement opportunities such as EMS ride-alongs require participants to be 18 years of age or older. Other opportunities are available for those under 18 years.

OR

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- **Prior Equivalency** – This is for students who have other related employment or education experience. Students must provide evidence of employment/other education that matches the missing high school courses. High school transcripts will still be required to be submitted.

Registration Paperwork and supporting documents should be emailed to: emscontact@ahasti.ca

Once the application is submitted it is the sole property of AHASTI and applicants will not have access to its contents. Any costs associated with the application and selection process are the sole responsibility of the applicant. Alberta Health and Safety Training Institute will not reimburse applicants for any expenses. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that they have met all the requirements and that they have provided copies of all documentation. Acceptance into the EMR Program should not be considered a guarantee of future employment.

If you have any questions about the registration process or requirements, please contact EMS Program Coordinator, at 403.670.5406 or email emscontact@ahasti.ca.

Exam Accommodation

Students requiring exam accommodations, such as extra time, separate space, or someone to read aloud, must apply along with supporting documentation from a psychoeducational assessment a **minimum of 30 days before the course start date** of the EMR program. Additional fees apply, and accommodations for final written exams only will be considered.

Tuition and Other Fees

Tuition Fee	\$2800.00
Books, Materials, Equipment	\$500.00 (approx.)
Program Fee	\$1250.00

Upon registering for the EMR Program, students must complete the Private Vocational Training Student Enrollment Contract and secure their spot with a \$500 deposit (non-refundable/non-transferable). The remainder of tuition fees are due on the first day of class. All other materials, equipment, manual, and program fees may be paid at any time up to the first day of the program.

Program manuals, equipment, materials, and fees are estimated at \$500.00 + gst. Additional information will be available in the course package. Additional optional items will also be available that are not included in the estimated \$500 + gst cost.

Student Aid and Alternate Funding

Student Aid

AHASTI is recognized for both provincial and national student funding. Any students wishing to apply for additional student funding such do so as soon as possible through their provincial and national student aid websites.

Alberta: <https://studentaid.alberta.ca>

National: <https://www.csnpe-nslsc.canada.ca/en/home>

All students should become knowledgeable on the requirements and expectations of receiving student aid. Repayment plans and other information are available on the websites.

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Alternate Funding

Students who are inquiring about funding provided by an alternate third party or other bank funding sources such as RESPs and loans should send a request for information to emscontact@ahasti.ca. AHASTI can provide one of two letters as needed:

1. Letter of Interest
This letter is for those who need to apply to these agencies for potential funding.
2. Letter of Enrollment
This letter is for those who have confirmed a spot in the EMR program with their \$500 deposit and require proof of enrolment to withdraw funds.

EMR National Exam and Licensure

Upon successful completion of the EMR Program, all candidates will be required to write the licensing exam through the Canadian Organization of Paramedic Regulators (COPR www.copr.ca) and complete registration with the Alberta College of Paramedics (www.abparamedics.com), to be employed in the province of Alberta as an EMR**. For additional information on the exam, registration processes, fees etc. please refer to their websites.

** Please note: AHASTI does not accommodate program deadlines to accommodate exam deadlines. Please plan your program accordingly.

Travel Requirements

Travel within the city and potentially throughout Alberta may be required, such as for the ambulance operation dates and ITLS courses. All travel and accommodation expenses are at the expense of the student. AHASTI will make every attempt to minimize the amount of travel that is required and will provide additional information in the course package regarding needed travel for each course date.

Immunization Requirements

Although AHASTI does not require any specific vaccines or immunization for the program, some Patient Engagement opportunities students may want to pursue will be required. Students may want to review their records with the following most commonly requested vaccines and immunizations (the list is not exhaustive of possible requests from sites):

- Proof of immunization or immunity against Rubella
- Immunization against hepatitis B, measles, mumps, varicella, polio, pertussis, tetanus, and diphtheria.
- Yearly influenza and/or covid vaccine

AHASTI Emergency Medical Responder – Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: (H) _____ (Cell) _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____(DD-MM-YYYY)

Alberta Student Number: _____

ASN is required, you can obtain it from: <https://learnerregistry.ae.alberta.ca>

Social Insurance Number: _____

For the sole use of filing tuition tax slips.

Did you attach a copy of your Class 5 (or equivalent) driver's license (GDL accepted)?

- Yes
- No, I expect to have it available: _____

Did you attach a copy of your Current Standard First Aid with CPR Level C certificate?

- Yes
- No, I expect to have it available: _____

Did you attach a copy of proof of completion of the required high school courses?

- Yes
- No, I expect to have it available: _____
- Prior Equivalency (attach resume and/or copies of previous education)

Please indicate desired EMR program start date: _____

Please indicate course location:

- Calgary
- Red Deer

Please read:

- I have read and understood all portions of this registration package.
- This registration form and its attached documents are of the sole ownership of the Alberta Health and Safety Training Institute upon submission and will not be returned or copied for any reason.
- I have attached all the required documents. I understand it is my responsibility to ensure all required documents are included and that any missing documents may result in non-acceptance in the EMR program.
- I have researched this industry and am informed on the requirements and expectations, exam process/dates, licensing, and associated fees.
- I understand I am required to complete all skills and components required of an EMR and am in good health and fitness to do this.
- I understand that some components of the program may require travel within and outside the city and are at the sole expense of the student.
- I understand that AHASTI will provide my name and contact information to third parties only for such purposes as certifications attained during the program (ie. Canadian Red Cross, Alberta Safety Council etc.).

Applicant Name: _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____