SCOPE OF WORK COMPARISON

Emergency Medical Responders & Primary Care Paramedics



This document is adapted from Shared Health's patient care maps*. MAHCP adaptations include removing the scope of work for Intermediate Care Paramedics and Advanced Care Paramedics and simplifying medical language.

ASSESSMENT / GENERAL MANAGEMENT	EMR	PCP
Diagnose a patient's illness or injury	X	✓
Recover a patient who has been sedated.	X	✓
AIRWAY & BREATHING	EMR	PCP
Airway device insertion to ventilate	X	✓
Carbon dioxide measurement	X	✓
Continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) ventilation	X	✓
CIRCULATION	EMR	PCP
Defibrillation with rhythm interpretation	X	~
Perform EKG/ECG	X	✓
TRAUMA & SURGICAL	EMR	PCP
Foreign body removal	X	~
Urinary catheter irrigation / removal	X	✓
VASCULAR ACCESS	EMR	PCP
Insert an IV	X	~
Insert a subcutaneous line	X	✓
MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION BY ROUTE OR PROCEDURE	EMR	PCP
Inhalation with nebulizer	X	~
Give a needle injection into a muscle	X	~
Give fluid or medications via IV	X	~
Injection into peripherally-inserted central catheter (PICC) device / line	X	~
Give fluid or medications via intraosseous line	X	~
Injection into subcutaneous device / line	X	~
Give fluid or medications subcutaneously	X	~
Give controlled medications for nausea & vomiting	X	✓
Give controlled medications for pain	X	~
Give controlled medications for a heart attack	X	~
Give controlled medications for anxiety, agitation, psychosis	X	✓
Give controlled medications for hemorrhages	X	✓
Give controlled medications for seizures	X	✓
MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION DURING PATIENT TRANSPORT	EMR	PCP
Prescribed or as needed medications via multiple administration routes	X	✓

^{*}Shared Health Care Maps: A06.2 EMS & PT Work Scope (Procedures); A06.3 EMS & PT Work Scope (Medications)