



Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) FAQs

Resources

1. What is EMR?

This is an Advanced First Aid Responder Course. It is taught by Certified EMR Instructors and the course follows the Curriculum for the selected Organization. Individuals who have completed **Emergency Medical Response** are specially trained to provide out-of-hospital care in medical emergencies. There are many different types of emergency medical responders, each with different levels of training, ranging from first aid and basic life support to Firefighting,...

The EMR is not meant to replace the roles of the Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) or Paramedics and their wide range of specialties. However, EMR training does teach you how to provide assistance until professional responders arrive. Therefore, you are of great importance to our communities.

Emergency medical responders typically assist in rural regions providing basic life support where pre-hospital health professionals are not available due to limited resources or infrastructure.

2. Tell me more about the curriculum.

We follow the latest Curriculum for the Organization we are presenting. Ex: 2016 National Safety Council, 2017 American Red Cross... All our EMR classes meet the current US Department of Transportation National First Responder curriculum.

Here is a glimpse of what you will learn:

- To assess Patients
- To address airway and breathing emergencies
- To respond to cardiac emergencies, including CPR and AED training
- To treat illnesses and injuries
- To respond to Childbirth scenarios
- To factor considerations for Remote-location First Aid
- To be familiar with EMS Operations

3. What can I expect in terms of content and time commitment?

This is a challenging, fast paced, high-energy, hands-on medical course that requires a high level of commitment. This class is physically demanding requiring persons to work on the ground and be able to stand up unassisted. Students will be required to sign a waiver stating that they are in good physical health to participate in the class.

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Much like a college class, you will have homework, a lot of reading and be expected to read ahead of sessions. Most students spent about two hours a day reviewing and reading material. You will be physically active during much of the class as you practice the skills, scenario drills and techniques you are learning.

You will be tested, and successful completion of the class is based on achieving passing scores on skills and a written test. Students usually set-up study groups.



We will provide a class syllabus and communication on Google Classroom. DURING COVID: We will have specific ways through Zoom Distance Learning of achieving certification requirements.



A waiver will need to be signed by students prior start of class for any gear being loaned by Soteria. Google Classroom

Please read EMR details online before registering

4. What does the enrollment fee cover?

The fee for this class is very reasonable, attending this course with a different organization or college you could expect to pay twice as much. The Instructors are all unpaid volunteers who donate their time to bring you this important instruction. *See the links below*

Covered:

- a. Curriculum and Certification fees from the selected Organization
- b. Class supplies & Insurance
- c. Overhead

We highly recommend students purchase/use their own: Blood Pressure cuff (non-digital), Stethoscope, penlight, EMT shears and CPR Pocket mask (for training use only) and all tools be identified. We have limited classroom loaner assessment tools.

Textbooks are managed differently for every class. Registration details will specify if textbooks are purchased by student or Soteria.

5. What is the class schedule?

- Class meets 2 – 3 times per week each class will vary: *See registration details*
- The program is approx. 58 – 70 hours of combined lecture and skills practice instruction, which varies per organization.

*Note: The course will have online support materials for students. While it is true, we cannot offer make up sessions, many past classes have formed study and practice groups to ensure success. **We will not be providing recorded sessions.***

Before each EMR class we offer a free EMR Orientation (optional). This is to help students learn about being an EMR and reflect on if they are a good candidate for the program.

6. How does this class tie in with CERT?

This is NOT a CERT class it is an Advanced First Aid course. You do not have to be a CERT volunteer to take this course. Our EMR courses are open to the general public.

Fyi Prior Rucker system: this course would fulfill requirements for both CERT Level 2 and 3.

Other Resources that offer an EMR Program:

[Action Training Systems](#)

[American First Responder Professional Safety Training](#)

[College of the Canyons](#)

[UCLA Center for Prehospital Care](#)

