

NCCEP Expanded Scope of Practice EMT/AEMT

Attention: EMS System Medical Directors

In 2023 the NCMB approved changes to the EMS level specific scope of practice. Refer to the North Carolina Medical Board Approved Skills and Medication document. Below is a quick summary of what is new.

Summary of 2023 expanded Scope of Practice approvals.

- Move Glucagon to EMT level (currently AEMT and Paramedic level)
- Move Immunizations to EMT level for Public Health Initiatives (currently AEMT and Paramedic level)
- Move Nitrous Oxide to EMT and AEMT level (currently Paramedic level)
- Include typical and atypical Antipsychotics as a classification for EMT, AEMT and Paramedic level (EMT via Oral route, if patient has a current prescription for medication)
- Allow Calcium Paste for EMT, AEMT and Paramedic level (Hydrofluoric acid burns)
- Move Antibiotics to AEMT level (currently Paramedic level)
- Move Antivirals to AEMT level (currently Paramedic level)
- Include Monoclonal Antibodies for AEMT and Paramedic level
- Move Tranexamic Acid (TXA) to AEMT level (currently Paramedic level)
- Move Steroid preparations to AEMT level (currently Paramedic level)
- Move Anti-emetic preparations to AEMT level (currently Paramedic level)
- Move Magnesium Sulfate to AEMT level (currently Paramedic level)
- Move manual defibrillation to AEMT level for pulseless arrest only
- Move needle chest decompression to AEMT level for traumatic arrest only

These expanded scope skills and medications are considered optional. Implementation will require a local education plan by the EMS System Medical Director. The OEMS is accepting modifications for EMS systems that choose to implement expanded scope of practice. The standard modification process will be followed, including submission of updated protocols and/or procedures, a summary letter indicating changes being made and signed by the EMS system medical director, scanned into a single pdf. Please ensure protocols are in the same order as the change document. Email modifications to your OEMS Regional Systems Specialist.

A folder that includes Visio templates for these expanded scope of practice medications and skills has been provided by NCCEP and located on the OEMS website.

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