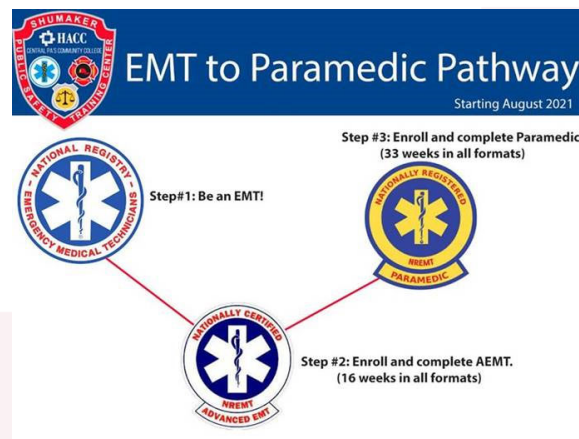




An EMT applicant will first enroll in an AEMT course, which allows them to certify in December as a National Registry AEMT. Then, the Paramedic Program starts in January and runs for 8 months, making one eligible to test into NREMT Paramedic. No change in schedule, no change in cost, but drastic change in format with a lot of advantages for the student.

Advantages:

- Greater contact to the material (cardiology, pharmacology, pathology, airway, neurology, pulmonology – all repeat, just in different depths)
- Earlier clinical skills competency
- Students will be eligible to test for AEMT in December, upgrade their job status if available, and practice as an AEMT while going through Paramedic portion (double the exposure to IV practice, ECG placement, some medications, etc)
- A place to 'off ramp' from the course if schedules or life get in the way and still leave with a certificate
- Greater schedule options on the front side 4 months (AEMT has several schedule offerings and locations)



((To note, any AEMT applicant that is interested in becoming a Paramedic – you would have the ability to 'test in' to our Paramedic Program portion in January, as AEMT is essentially the new pre-requisite. This format is very unique to not only our region but the entire MidAtlantic region and the response has been very positive.))

As mentioned, the cost, overall, is not changing despite this format change. Currently, our Paramedic program that ran for 12 months cost \$9000.

This new format program is nearly identical – AEMT = \$1050, Paramedic 8 month = \$8000.