

## **4765-17-02 Paramedic continuing education.**

(A) Except as otherwise provided in section [4765.31](#) of the Revised Code and this chapter, when applying for renewal of a certificate to practice, a person who is certified as a paramedic shall comply with one of the four following education requirements by the expiration date of the current certificate:

(1) Completion of at least eighty-six hours of continuing education, including all of the following:

(a) Twelve hours on pediatric issues;

(b) Four hours on geriatric issues;

(c) Eight hours on trauma issues, to include education on the trauma triage determination pursuant to rule [4765-14-02](#) of the Administrative Code;

(d) Six hours on emergency cardiac care continuing education, which may be satisfied upon successful completion of one of the following:

(i) An advanced cardiac life support course of the American heart association, which will satisfy this requirement;

(ii) An advanced cardiac life support course of the American safety and health institute, which will satisfy this requirement;

(iii) An equivalent program approved or designated by the board which can be found at [http://www.publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/ems\\_ce\\_requirements](http://www.publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/ems_ce_requirements) [File Link Not Available].

(iv) Six hours of continuing education in emergency cardiac care.

(2) Completion of both of the following:

(a) A paramedic refresher course, as outlined in rule [4765-17-01](#) of the Administrative Code or paragraph (F) of rule [4765-17-04](#) of the Administrative Code as evidenced by a certificate of completion issued in accordance with section [4765.24](#) of the Revised Code, which will satisfy forty-eight hours of the required eighty-six hours of continuing education;

(b) Completion of the remaining thirty-eight hours of continuing education.

(3) Current registration with the national registry of emergency medical technicians at the paramedic or equivalent level and completion of the continuing education on trauma triage determination pursuant to rule [4765-14-02](#) of the Administrative Code.

(4) A passing score within three attempts on an examination approved by the board, pursuant to rule [4765-8-05](#) of the Administrative Code, to demonstrate competence to have a certificate to practice as an paramedic renewed without completing an EMS continuing education program. This examination may only be taken during the last six months of a paramedic's current certification period or during a board approved extension granted pursuant to rule [4765-19-03](#) of the Administrative Code.

(B) An individual that receives a board approved extension to complete continuing education requirements listed in paragraph (A) of this rule, must complete the requirements and submit an "EMS Application-Renewal" or form "EMS 0043" (June, 2008), which can be found at [http://ems.ohio.gov/ems\\_forms.stm](http://ems.ohio.gov/ems_forms.stm), to the division, no later than the expiration date of the granted extension.

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