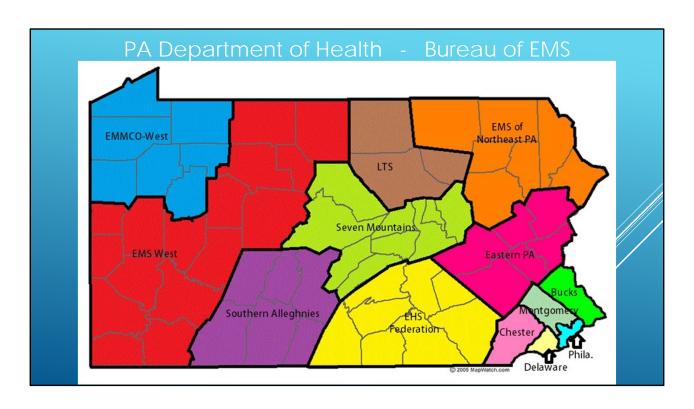




Your Class number is important information you should know. Along with your name, this is one piece of information the Region will need to assist you should there be a delay in the processing of your certification.

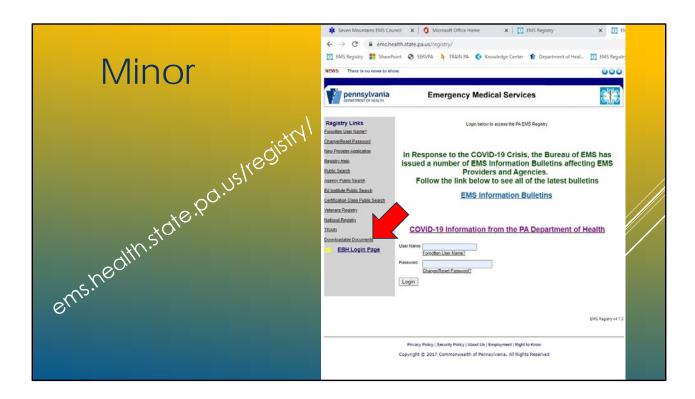


Currently 13 Regions within the Commonwealth. 6 are County Government; 7 are Non-Profit 501C3 organizations that contract with the PA Department of Health

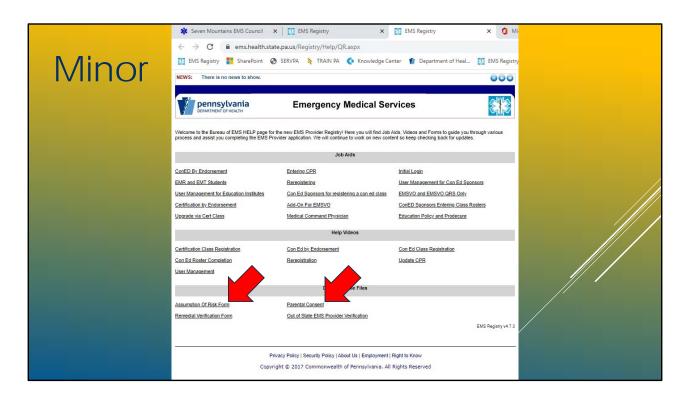


Are you ever registered for a PA DOH certification before? Current/Expired /Quit

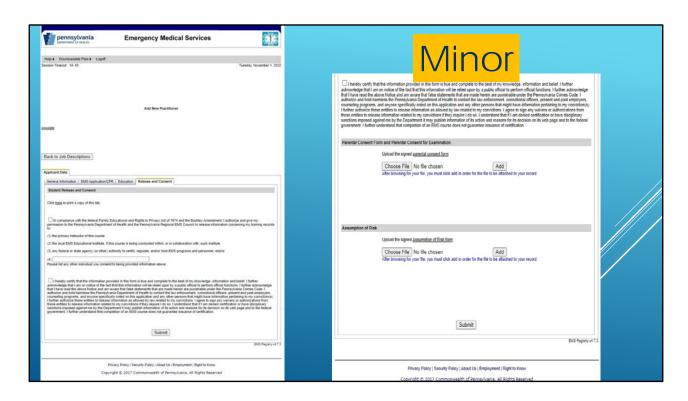
If you are a minor – there is additional paperwork required for registration. If you are/have been/ or previously registered for certification through the PA Department of Health, Bureau of EMS you probably already have a registry number. You need to use that number to register for this course; starting a new registration application will NOT work. Please check with the Region if you think this applies to you and you are having problems registering.



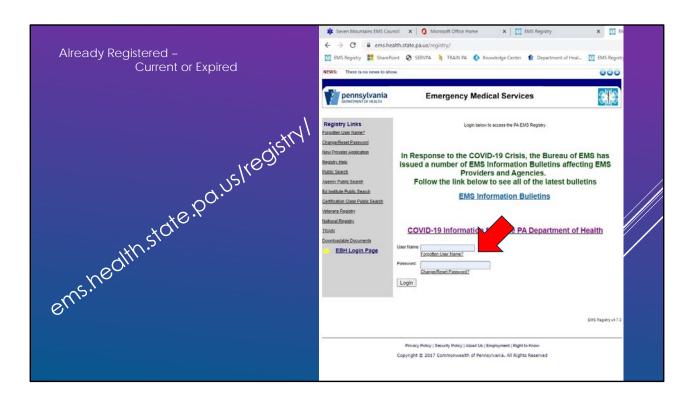
Once at the PA EMS registry site...minors need to click on the bottom choice — Downloadable Documents — to obtain documents that must be signed by their parent(s)/guardian and attached to the registration form. Do not submit the application without attaching the forms.



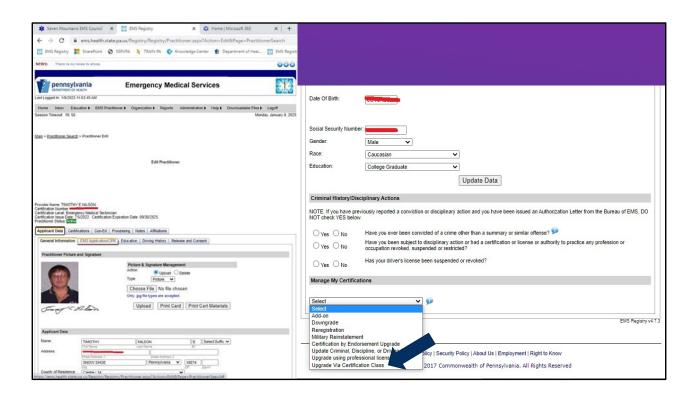
Assumption of Risk Form & Parental Consent are the two forms required for minors to register for an EMS certification course through the PA Dept. of Health.



When completing the application, the final tab is 'Release & Consent'. Minors need to attach the completed forms to their application (where shown above) prior to submitting the application.

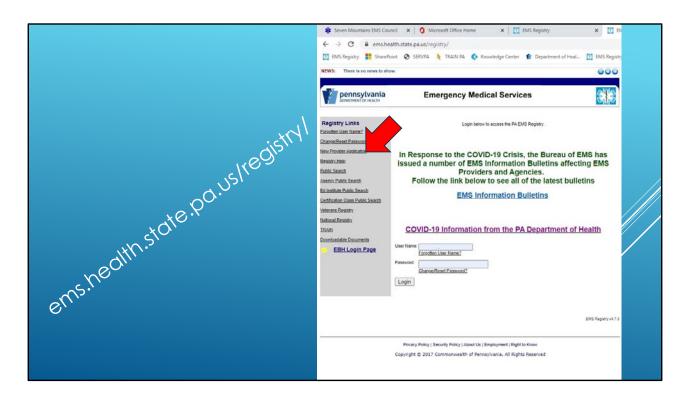


If you are, have been, or have previously registered for EMS provider recognition within the Commonwealth, you should already have registry access – use those credentials to access the registry system. If you are unable to access – please contact the Council.

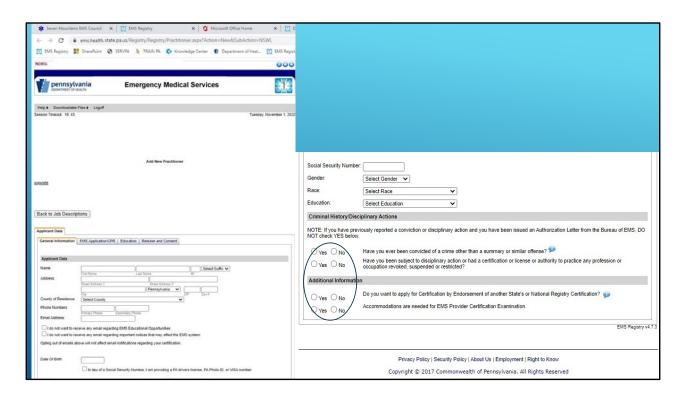


Once you access your record, go to the bottom of the 'General Information' tab and select 'Upgrade Via Certification Class' from the drop down menu.

Complete the application and submit.



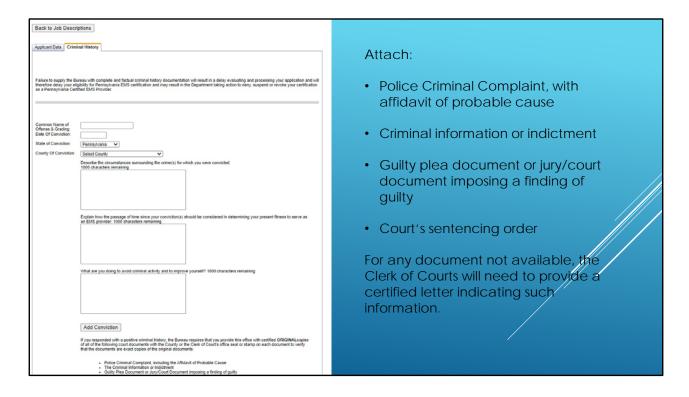
If you have never requested or held EMS certification through the PA Dept. of Health, click on the 'New Provider Application' tab and work through that process.



You will need to answer the 'Criminal History/Disciplinary Actions' section under the General Information tab. Should you indicate a positive response to any of these, a corresponding tab will populate on your application — as shown on the next slide.

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If activated, you need to complete the information requested within the tab prior to submitting the application. All requested attachments must be attached prior to submitting.



If you indicated a criminal history, the 'criminal history' tab needs completed in it's entirety and the documents indicated on the right side of this slide need to be attached prior to forwarding an application.

Those of you who haven't completed the process... Required within 14 days

** DON'T Delay **

Don't hesitate in completing the application. By policy, they are required to be submitted within 14 days of the start of an EMS certification course.

FYI:

RURAL EDUCATION PROGRAM SUPPORT

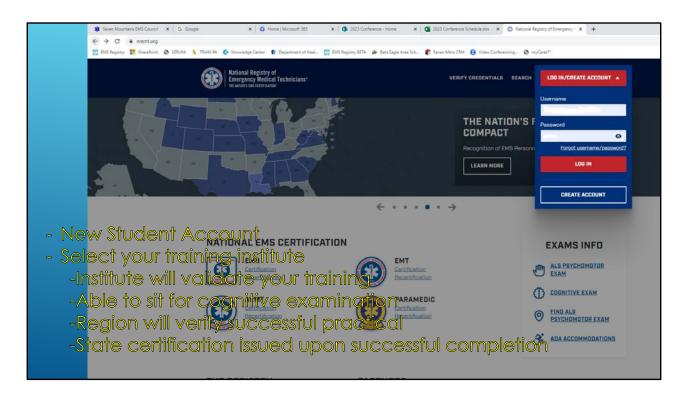
- ➤ Tuition Reimbursement
 - ▶ Up to 85% tuition reimbursement
 - Cost of Primary Text
- ► Affiliate with Regional EMS Agency
- National Registry Testing Voucher
 - Voucher for the cost of the initial cognitive test
 - Affiliate with Regional EMS Agency
 - Submit request

Council, using Dept. of Health rural education funds, have programs available to assist individuals in certification costs as long as they intend to affiliate with a licensed EMS agency. More information is available on Councils homepage.

Prior to being certified.....you will need to create a National Registry of EMTs account to be able to take your final cognitive exam.

www.nremt.org

Prior to becoming certified, you will also need to go onto the National Registry of EMTs website and register yourself for a account as the National Registry does the certification examinations on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.



You will need to create an account with National Registry. Work through their account setup process. Your written examination can not be administered without an account.



To become certified, you need to pass both a practical and written examination. It doesn't matter the order in which you take your exams...just need to pass both. Upon completion of the course, make sure you complete the post course questionnaire — a link will be sent in an email from the registry system once the training institute indicate that you successfully completed the program. Your credentials will not be processed by the PA Dept. of Health without completing this questionnaire.

Registration is for 3 years at the BLS leve

Maintain correct contact information in the EMS Registry

- Challenge the examinations
- Successfully complete a minimum of 16 hrs. of continuing education within the 3-year period.
- Minimum of 12 of that must be medical/trauma – patient related.
- > Re-registration is not automatic
- Additional information concerning Con-ed is available on the registry system

STEPS TO MAINTAIN REGISTRATION

Requirements to maintain your PA EMR certification. It can be accomplished by challenging the examinations or through the Continuing Education process.

Registration is for 3 years at the BLS leve

Maintain correct contact information in the EMS Registry

- Challenge the examinations
- Successfully complete a minimum of 24 hrs. of continuing education within the 3-year period.
- Minimum of 18 of that must be medical/trauma – patient related.
- ► Re-registration is not automatic
- Additional information concerning Con-ed is available on the registry system

STEPS TO MAINTAIN REGISTRATION

Requirements to maintain your PA EMT certification. It can be accomplished by challenging the examinations or through the Continuing Education process.

Registration is for 2 years at the ALS level - ODD YEARS

Maintain correct contact information in the EMS Registry

- Challenge the examinations
- Successfully complete a minimum of 36 hrs. of continuing education within the 2-year period.
- Minimum of 27 of that must be medical/trauma – patient related.
- ➤ Re-registration is not automatic
- ▶ Don't forget about EMSVO if applicable
- ► Additional information concerning Con-ed is available on the registry system

STEPS TO MAINTAIN REGISTRATION

Requirements to maintain your PA AEMT certification. It can be accomplished by challenging the examinations or through the Continuing Education process.

- Emergency Medical Services Vehicle Operator (EMSVO)
- Successful completion of an approved Emergency Vehicle Driver Training (EVDT) course to include a 'driving' portion.
 - > Add it to your registry record by requesting Add-on
- 1 hr./yearly Con-Ed to reregister (maintain)

REGISTRY ADD-ON

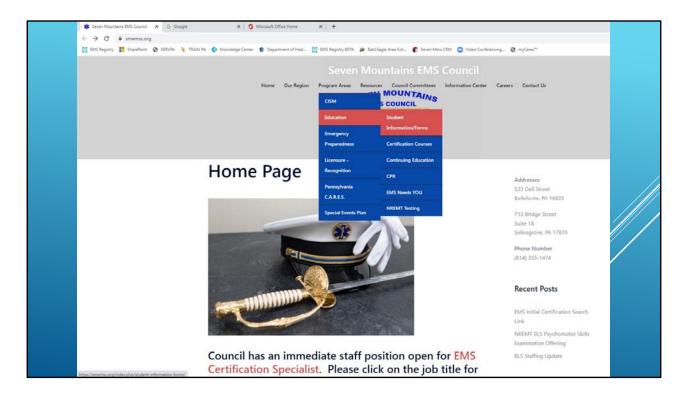
Once certified, there are add-on recognitions that you may (probably will) want endorsed onto your EMS certification – EMSVO being the most prevalent of those. It can be accomplished by requesting an 'Add-on', using the 'Manage my Certifications' area at the bottom of the 'General Information' tab on your registry homepage screen.



Should you have any problems, concerns, issues, or complaints – please follow your training institute complaint process. Only once that process has been completed and if you are still unsatisfied with the answer received, you are able to contact the Regional EMS Council for assistance and/or involvement of the Department of Health/Bureau of EMS into the situation.



Upon successful completion of the course, you will receive both National Registry & PA certification. Maintaining your National Registry certification is optional – just note that it is a separate process with different requirements & an associated fee. Please see the National Registry website for additional information.



Please feel free to check the Council website – www.smemsc.org – for additional information and applications for the educational assistance programs available.



Please feel free to contact the Council for additional information. Thank you for your interest in providing EMS within the Commonwealth.