

## Community Paramedicine Workshop—Friday, March 27, 2015

Community paramedicine is an evolving model of community-based health care with EMS providers functioning outside their usual emergency medicine roles in ways that facilitate more appropriate use of emergency care resources and/or enhance access to primary care for medically underserved populations. These programs typically are designed to address specific local problems and have successfully used prehospital providers in prevention, screening and disease management initiatives to reduce costs and improve quality.

Locally, the Emed Health program and the CONNECT (Congress of Neighboring Communities) project are success stories. Additional EMS agencies from across Western Pennsylvania also have programs that work with their patient populations and response areas.

This one-day workshop is designed for agencies and facilities that are interested in developing these programs. Led by Dr. Dan Swayze and his team from the Center for Emergency Medicine, this fast-paced and focused workshop will highlight and define the community paramedic, programs, patients, resources, operational needs and financing. This schedule has been designed to spread ideas utilizing short, powerful talks—allowing you to focus on one or two take-away points from each presentation.

The program will begin at 10:00am and conclude by 5:00pm.

### **10:00am—11:00am Traditional EMS vs Community Paramedicine**

Description of our patient populations  
Establishing Rapport with Patients  
Medication Reconciliation

### **11:00am—noon Patients Populations**

Chronic Pain and “Drug Seekers”  
Vets  
Elderly  
Frustrating Patients

### **1:00pm—2:00pm Mental and Behavioral Health**

Anxiety  
Depression  
Bipolar Disorder  
Schizophrenia

### **2:00pm—3:00pm Resources**

Housing/ Utilities  
Waivers  
COMPASS  
Special Resources

### **3:00pm—4:00pm Operations**

Needs Assessments  
Referrals  
Documentation, Impact and Data

### **4:00pm—5:00pm Building a CP Program**

Partnerships  
Financial Models  
Pricing

The cost of this workshop is the same as a one day course fee for Friday, \$80 and is NOT in addition to the one day fee.

If you only want to attend this workshop, the cost would be \$80.

EMS I has applied to the Bureau of EMS for continuing education credits and we anticipate being able to offer 2 credits in the clinical/patient care, core category and 2 credits in the other category. We will update the continuing education credits at [www.emspdate.com](http://www.emspdate.com) when they are finalized for this workshop.