# **Rogers Fire Department Standard Operating Procedures**

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### **PURPOSE**

This policy establishes guidelines for the paramedic preceptor program for the Rogers Fire Department.

#### **POLICY**

The paramedic education process is a vital component of the fire department. Paramedic preceptors ensure that the department has the highest quality Paramedics completing the training requirements of the sponsoring agency.

Paramedic preceptors perform an important function in the education process of the paramedic student. The following requirements establish a consistent standard derived from both the sponsoring agency and the Rogers Fire Department. Any current Rogers Fire Department Master Paramedic may be required to perform the duties expected of a preceptor. Each individual must have a thorough understanding of the responsibilities involved.

## **Preceptor Requirements**

- Currently licensed as a Paramedic
- Attend properly sanctioned preceptor training sessions
- Be free of any pending disciplinary or clinical action against licensure or employment
- No disciplinary action against licensure in the past 12 months
- Must be authorized by the sponsoring agency's clinical coordinator to precept their students.

## **Preceptor Responsibilities**

 Oversight of assessments, treatments and patient care provided by the student

- Allow students to only perform skills in their scope of training and practice as approved by the agency they represent
- Understand and work within the constraints of all state and local regulations
- Must notify patients that a student is present and obtain permission from the patient to allow treatment from the student
- Preceptor/Student ratio will not exceed 1:1
- Adhere to all Rogers Fire Department and Northwest Arkansas Regional Emergency Medical Services protocols
- Provide constructive feedback that maintains the expectations of both the sponsoring agency and the Rogers Fire Department
- Complete all required documentation
- Maintain a professional demeanor & lead by example