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**To:** [All Users](#)  
**Subject:** EMT Basic Recert information \* Training Notice Please Keep ~ (State & National)  
**Date:** Friday, April 11, 2014 8:10:53 PM  
**Attachments:** [Washington EMT Basic CME Recert worksheet.pdf](#)  
[National Registry Recert EMT Basic worksheet.pdf](#)  
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[Yearly Training Calendar and April In house training.xlsx](#)  
**Importance:** High

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Group,

This message is meant for EMT-Basic's (with our without special endorsement ie; IV tech) to explain expectations for recertification for state and national registry (if you plan on maintaining that certification).

### **WA STATE:**

To recertify using OTEP (not taking an official exam) you must meet the minimum OTEP requirements to qualify for the "tradition training" program (30hr total). It will look like below the graph below ([RCW 246-976-163](#)) If you don't recertify using the above method you must recertify via "CME" method via [RCW 246-976-162](#) (This has the same requirements; however, it is your responsibility for tracking and proof of training).

- Annual requirements once a year (3 classes x 2 hrs. each x over a 3 year period = **18 hours**)
- Certification Period Requirements: 4 classes noted below once per certification cycle (4 classes x 2 hrs. each = **8 hours**). Added together = **24 hours**
- To meet the below 30 hours needed for OTEP you will then need **4 additional hours**. Your choice throughout a cert cycle. Attached is a worksheet to help map out your education.

<b>Annual Requirements</b>	
Cardiovascular education and training	X
Spinal immobilization	X
Patient assessment	X
<b>Certification Period Requirements</b>	
Infectious disease	X
Trauma	X
Pharmacology	X
Other pediatric topics	X
<b>Total minimum education hours per certification period:</b>	30 hrs

When you are ready to recertify you will need to log in to the [Washington State Fortress website \(link\)](#) and fill out the recertification form and submit it to me. I will then get a notice that you submitted your form and will review your application for the above requirements. You can submit your application up to 6 months prior to your expiration date. I would recommend contacting me with a reasonable amount of time to discuss any questions you may have about this process. You

can also log in to our training/tracking website to see where your recertification process is. (Details to follow on this process).

### **National Registry: ([WWW.NREMT.ORG](http://WWW.NREMT.ORG))**

To initial get certified in Clark County you must have a national registry certification (at least currently). You don't have to maintain the certification to work; however, if you do plan on maintaining this certification there is one thing that needs to be immediately recognized. **If you just attend OTEP you will NOT meet the requirements for the NREMT to recertify.** OTEP only meets 24 of the "traditional education" hours needed. The other 6 hours (of the OTEP's 30) can be used towards the additional 48 "additional EMS Related Continuing Education" hours needed. In the attached brochure you will see that you can use almost any approved emergency medical continuing education to meet these requirements. See below box for acceptable CME's.

When you are ready to recertify you must log in to the national registry website (link above) with your own username and password and fill out the recertification form with both "traditional" educational hours and the required "additional" education hours (totaling 72 hours). It would be a good idea to let me know if you submitted this recertification process; however, I do occasionally get reminders that applications are waiting approval.

*The biggest question I get is* how and where do I get the additional training? The answer is you may receive credit from the obvious classes in the additional education box in this email and any additional classes approved through the MPD. These classes vary and for example can be gained through attending classes offered by NCEMS and FD13 that relates to EMS. Attached is an example of April 2014 classes (2<sup>nd</sup> tab on Yearly training excel doc). Agency members are invited and encouraged to attend any course you would like. All you have to do is contact me if interested and I will be able to let you know the times the classes are given if not annotated (these will be annotated as much as possible). Also attached is the tentative training yearly calendar for NCEMS / FD 13. As the training department matures there will be more learning opportunities.

All of this is on the [NORTHCOUNTRYEMS.ORG](http://NORTHCOUNTRYEMS.ORG) website under "members login" section and the password is "ncems." Then just click the Recertification box on right. If you have any question, comments, or concerns please contact me.

Regards,

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