

Memo

To: All agencies that precept students
From: PAEMS Office
CC: Mike Dant
Date: November 6, 2008
Re: ALS Ride time.

BLS, ILS, and Paramedic Ride Time.

Effective immediately, once students in the PAEMS system finish class and are deemed ready for ride time, they may choose which agency to do their ride time. There is no longer a 70%-30% split requirement. The only requirement is to have at least 3 Field Training Instructors completing evaluations to ensure exposure to different teaching styles and learning experiences. Students will be informed of the possibility of extending of their internship if they choose to do their internship at an agency with a low volume of calls. The variety and level of acuity of patient encounters must be documented. If these are insufficient to complete minimum requirements, additional time may be added at the discretion of the medical director in order to successfully complete the internship and proceed to testing. Even if the minimum number of calls has been achieved, the medical director may also extend the internship time if the student has not been exposed to a satisfactory amount of higher acuity patients requiring critical thinking skills and procedures. Feedback obtained from the Field Training Instructors during the internship will assist the medical director in determining if students are ready to proceed to testing.



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