

Target Group:



Occupational Profile

Paramedic/EMT

Standard Occupational Code 29-2041.00

What They Do

Assess injuries, administer emergency medical care, and extricate trapped individuals. Transport injured or sick persons to medical facilities.

Is This For You?

Work Interests are described in the following categories (compatible with Holland's Model). People who tend to succeed in this career are:

Social – involves working with, communicating with, and teaching people. Involves helping or providing service to others.

Realistic – involves work activities that include practical, hands-on problems and solutions.

Investigative – involves working with ideas, and require an extensive amount of thinking. May involve searching for facts and figuring out problems mentally.

Work Values are aspects of work that are satisfying to you. The following work values are generally associated with this career:

Relationships – allow employees to provide service to others and work with co-workers in a friendly non-competitive environment.

Support – offer supportive management that stands behind employees.

Achievement – results oriented and allow employees to use their strongest abilities, giving them a feeling of accomplishment.

Abilities reflect a person's aptitude to acquire skills and knowledge. The following abilities are important for success in the career:

- Problem Sensitivity
- Deductive Reasoning
- Inductive Reasoning
- Oral Comprehension
- Oral Expression
- Speech Clarity

Skills You Need

- Critical Thinking
- Active Listening
- Coordination
- Speaking
- Service Orientation
- Social Perceptiveness
- Active Learning
- Complex Problem Solving

Education & Training

Paramedics/EMT need to **complete an EMT or paramedic training program**. Paramedics/EMT are required to be licensed by the South Dakota Board of Medical & Osteopathic Examiners.

SD Employment & Wages

2014 Workers	2024 Workers	Numeric Change	Percent Change	Average Annual Demand for Workers	Median Annual Wage
980	1,060	80	8%	20	\$27,390

Additional References

Labor Market Information Center

www.dlr.gov/mic

Career OneStop

www.careeronestop.org

O*Net Online

www.onetcenter.org

mySkills myFuture

www.myskillsmyfuture.org

Requirements for the National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)

	Median Skill Level
Applied Mathematics	3
Reading for Information	5
Locating Information	4

Where They Work

The South Dakota Industries which employ the largest number of Paramedics/EMT are:

- Other Ambulatory Health Care Services
- Local Government
- General Medical and Surgical Hospitals
- Residential Mental Health Facilities
- Outpatient Care Centers

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