

Paramedic/EMT



What does an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) and EMT-Paramedic do?

- EMT's are dispatched by a 911 emergency call.
- They are trained to recognize, assess, and manage medical emergencies of acutely ill patients and give immediate care to the patient.
- EMTs/Paramedics transport the sick or injured patient to medical facilities.

What kind of education would I need?

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Completed EMT training prior to enrollment in most EMT-paramedic courses unless enrolled in a joint EMT and paramedic program
- EMT training varies from 2 to 6 months, depending on the training site and hours of class scheduled per week
- EMT-Basic training approximately requires 40 hours of training, and paramedic training approximately requires 1,000 hours of training or more
- Formal Paramedic training program

Where would I work?

- Hospitals
- Local government
- Outpatient care centers
- Police, fire and public service departments
- Private ambulance services
- Rescue squads
- Residential mental health facilities

Job Outlook?

Growing much faster than average

Site:

<https://apps.sd.gov/Id01dol/Template/Main.aspx?TemplateID=24&OrphanPage=https://apps.sd.gov/LD55CareerInsite/CustomContent/welcome.aspx>

Salary?

Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and EMT-Paramedics earn an average of \$31,270 per year!

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