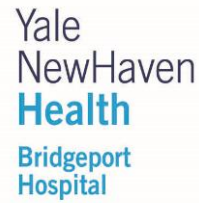


SPONSOR HOSPITAL COUNCIL of GREATER BRIDGEPORT



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Specialty Care Transport

As part of the Sponsor Hospital Council's Continuous Quality Improvement Program, the Council has identified an opportunity for paramedic's recently cleared to operate independently to gain the requisite experience and critical thinking skills to not only safely and properly manage critically ill or injured patients, but also to feel safe and comfortable treating patients requiring inter-facility transport.

Going forward, it will be the position of the Sponsor Hospital Council of Greater Bridgeport to require all new graduates of a paramedic program wishing to attend a Specialty Care Transport program have at least six (6) months cleared paramedic experience before attending the SCT course. In that time it is expected the paramedic will gain the necessary experience to register for the program. Each individual EMS agency retains the discretion to extend this period as they see fit to accommodate any gaps they may identify in the paramedic's skill set. Please note that this policy applies to specialty care transports only. Routine ALS transfers are not affected by this.

All SCT Paramedics will be required to undergo bi-annual skills refresher training designed by each service in conjunction with medical control.

Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

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