12 Steps to Developing your Community Paramedicine Program



TOPIC		DETAILS
1	Plan To Plan	✓ Background materials✓ Work plan
2	Assess Program Feasibility	 ✓ State EMS Office ✓ Internal commitment and engagement ✓ Medical community ✓ Key partner commitment ✓ College / University
3	Assess Community Health Needs	✓ Engage health department✓ Develop an assessment plan
4	Determine Medical Direction	✓ The right type of physician✓ Scope of involvement
5	Determine Program Scope	 ✓ Services ✓ Personnel ✓ Budget ✓ Fundraising / Grants
6	Engage the Community and Stakeholders	 ✓ Identify and engage ✓ Plan a community informational meeting ✓ Form an advisory council
7	Plan and Implement Initial Education	 ✓ Establish a relationship with a college / university ✓ Determine Site Coordinator ✓ Establish Medical Director's role ✓ Obtain commitments for clinical sites ✓ Evaluate competency via National Exam ✓ Develop continuing education plan
8	Develop Policies and Procedures	 ✓ Identify needed policies, procedures, and protocols ✓ Develop introduction during orientation
9	Determine CQI Program	✓ Develop a plan
10	Develop an Evaluation Plan	 ✓ Patient Based tracking and documentation ✓ Establish Outcomes and how to measure ✓ Case study procedures and documentation
11	Begin Operations	 ✓ MOUs in place with local medical providers such as hospitals, home health, public health, primary care, and ancillary services ✓ Establish system to schedule services and referrals ✓ Establish documentation system ✓ Begin accepting patients ✓ Conduct chart reviews
12	Evaluate the Pilot Phase	 ✓ Referral process ✓ Response time ✓ Patient satisfaction ✓ Quality assurance procedures ✓ Patient database / chart documentation ✓ Make corrections to the system ✓ Establish new processes