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Chapter 1 Advanced Prehospital Emergency Medicine

1) What is one of the emerging roles of the modern EMS practitioner?

- A) Third-party biller
- B) Managed health care
- C) Health promotion
- D) Internet education

Answer: C

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Objective: 4

2) Safety inspections, accident prevention, and medical screening of employees are some of the responsibilities for paramedics working in:

- A) industrial medicine.
- B) community clinics.
- C) correctional institutions.
- D) sports medicine.

Answer: A

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Objective: 5

3) What is the best description regarding the initial education program of the paramedic?

- A) It addresses everything one needs to know to practice paramedicine.
- B) It is a rite of passage, but information is inconsistent with how things really should be done.
- C) It is the base and beginning of one's professional education, not the end.
- D) Lectures prepare students, but all learning occurs on the job during the internship phase.

Answer: C

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Objective: 3

4) What best describes the paramedic's professional obligation?

- A) Acceptance and adherence to a code of professional ethics and etiquette
- B) Placing the system's well-being above that of the patient
- C) Strict adherence to medical protocols
- D) Following long-standing traditions in practice

Answer: A

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Objective: 3

- 5) A major advance in the education of prehospital emergency medicine personnel was the:
- A) formation of the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians.
  - B) 2009 publication *National EMS Services Education Standards*.
  - C) passage of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).
  - D) 2004 practice analysis completed by the National Registry of EMTs.

Answer: B

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Objective: 3

- 6) Which statement about a paramedic's skill competency is most accurate?
- A) High-frequency, low-criticality skills should be reviewed often.
  - B) Low-frequency, high-criticality skills should be occasionally reviewed.
  - C) All skills should be reviewed equally, regardless of criticality.
  - D) Low-frequency, high-criticality skills should be reviewed often.

Answer: D

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Objective: 3

- 7) The paramedic's right to care for patients, administer medications, and perform other related tasks falls on the license of:
- A) the EMS system medical director.
  - B) the state secretary of health.
  - C) the receiving hospital ED physician.
  - D) the state medical director.

Answer: A

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Objective: 3

- 8) Many professional sports teams have found paramedics to be effective complements to their:
- A) away game travel team.
  - B) physical therapists.
  - C) athletic trainers.
  - D) rehabilitation programs.

Answer: C

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Objective: 4

- 9) Paramedics should always provide care:
- A) with the intent of transporting all patients.
  - B) only when there is a legitimate patient complaint.
  - C) without regard to a patient's ability to pay.
  - D) with the goal of minimizing on-scene time.

Answer: C

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Objective: 3

10) What is another expanded role for the paramedic that has developed in the last 20–30 years given the ongoing specialization of hospitals?

- A) Industrial medicine
- B) Critical care transport medicine
- C) Corrections medicine
- D) Community paramedicine

Answer: B

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Objective: 4

11) What is the best characterization about the professional development of a paramedic?

- A) It is a career-long pursuit.
- B) It is focused on public education efforts.
- C) It is regulated by the system medical director and state agency.
- D) It is focused on illness and injury prevention.

Answer: A

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Objective: 3

12) What statement best describes the paramedic's expected level of functioning in the dynamic prehospital setting?

- A) Functioning independently
- B) Only delivering care while under direct supervision of the medical director
- C) Complete care tasks as ordered by telephone or radio supervision by ED nursing personnel
- D) Delivering prehospital care while under direct supervision of fire command

Answer: A

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Objective: 3

13) What aspect of the paramedic's work most appropriately falls into the category of public health?

- A) Administering care to a patient who has suffered a heart attack
- B) Providing life-saving measures after a traffic accident
- C) Educating the public on illness prevention
- D) Taking steps to prevent a terrorist attack

Answer: C

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Objective: 4

14) To legally function as a paramedic, one must:

- A) have successfully completed an accredited EMT education program.
- B) have fulfilled the specific requirements of an appropriate credentialing body.
- C) strive to maintain quality health care, regardless of cost or impact on one's EMS system.
- D) be able to function independently in a nonstructured, constantly changing environment.

Answer: B

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Objective: 3

15) Many traditional EMS treatments and practices have been abandoned or refined because of:

- A) research.
- B) patient complaints.
- C) legislation.
- D) lawsuits.

Answer: A

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Objective: 1

16) The highest level of prehospital care provider in the United States is a(n):

- A) emergency medical responder.
- B) paramedic.
- C) advanced EMT.
- D) emergency medical technician.

Answer: B

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Objective: 2

17) To practice, paramedics must be approved by a state or provincial agency and the:

- A) National Association of EMTs.
- B) National Registry of EMTs.
- C) EMS system's medical director.
- D) state medical director.

Answer: C

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Objective: 3

18) What is a desirable characteristic expected of a paramedic?

- A) The ability to give medical advice
- B) A commanding presence on the scene
- C) The ability to establish rapport with a wide variety of patients
- D) The ability to exactly follow protocols on each and every call

Answer: C

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Objective: 3

19) Which agency developed and published the 2009 *National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards*?

- A) The National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians
- B) The National Association of State EMS Training Coordinators
- C) The National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians
- D) The United States Department of Transportation

Answer: D

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Objective: 3

20) Where do many of the practices and techniques of tactical EMS come from?

- A) Police
- B) Firefighters
- C) Military
- D) Critical care medics

Answer: C

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Objective: 5

21) What term is a synonym for a "mobile integrated health care" provider?

- A) Industrial medicine practitioner
- B) Illness prevention provider
- C) Corrections medicine paramedic
- D) Community paramedicine

Answer: D

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Objective: 1

22) What is the entry-level EMS practitioner according to the four nationally recognized levels in the United States?

- A) First Responder
- B) Emergency Medical Responder
- C) Emergency First Responder
- D) Entry Level Responder

Answer: B

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Objective: 1

23) If you were enhancing access of primary care services to medically underserved populations, you would likely be functioning as a(n):

- A) Community paramedic.
- B) Critical care paramedic.
- C) Tactical paramedic.
- D) Emergency Department paramedic.

Answer: B

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Objective: 5