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A bill for an act
relating to health; requiring continuing education hours for certification as a
community paramedic; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144E.28,
subdivision 9.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 144E.28, subdivision 9, is amended to read:

Subd. 9. **Community paramedics.** (a) To be eligible for certification by the board
as a community paramedic, an individual shall:

(1) be currently certified as a paramedic and have two years of full-time service as
a paramedic or its part-time equivalent;

(2) successfully complete a community paramedic education program from a college
or university that has been approved by the board or accredited by a board-approved
national accreditation organization. The education program must include clinical
experience that is provided under the supervision of an ambulance medical director,
advanced practice registered nurse, physician assistant, or public health nurse operating
under the direct authority of a local unit of government; ~~and~~

(3) complete a board-approved application form; and

(4) complete an additional 12 hours of continuing education in clinical topics
approved by the ambulance service medical director, in addition to the requirements in
subdivision 7.

(b) A community paramedic must practice in accordance with protocols and
supervisory standards established by an ambulance service medical director in accordance
with section 144E.265. A community paramedic may provide services as directed by a
patient care plan if the plan has been developed by the patient's primary physician or by

2.1 an advanced practice registered nurse or a physician assistant, in conjunction with the
2.2 ambulance service medical director and relevant local health care providers. The care
2.3 plan must ensure that the services provided by the community paramedic are consistent
2.4 with the services offered by the patient's health care home, if one exists, that the patient
2.5 receives the necessary services, and that there is no duplication of services to the patient.

2.6 (c) A community paramedic is subject to all certification, disciplinary, complaint,
2.7 and other regulatory requirements that apply to paramedics under this chapter.