# PROGRAM PLANNER ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-26

## **Community Paramedic**

**Certificate | 11 credits** 

Campus: Mesabi Range, Eveleth

#### **PREREQUISITES:**

- 1. Students must provide current certification and remain current throughout the program:
  - CPR BLS Provider Certification (AHA Guidelines)
  - Paramedic Certification (Office of EMS/State of Minnesota)
- 2. Two years of field experience as a licensed paramedic.

		CREDITS	HOURS LEC/LAB
EMTP 2100	Role of the Community Paramedic	2	2/0
EMTP 2105	Pathophysiology and Disease Management for the Community Paramedic	3	2/2
EMTP 2110	Patient Care Practicum/Internship	6	

#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

A Community Paramedic (CP) is an advanced paramedic that works to increase access to primary and preventive care and decrease use of emergency departments, which in turn decreases health care costs. Among other things, CPs may play a key role in providing follow—up services after a hospital discharge to prevent hospital readmission. CPs can provide health assessments, chronic disease monitoring and education, medication management, immunizations and vaccinations, laboratory specimen collection, hospital discharge follow—up care and minor medical procedures.

#### **PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Graduates of the community paramedic program will possess all competencies relevant to the position. They will have the knowledge and skills to do the following:

- Define the boundaries of the CP position
- Define the term *health* and demonstrate the ability to recognize and teach the social determinants of health in their own community
- Identify services and inform the community of those services through various teaching methods and through partnerships
- Perform community mapping and health assessments
- Develop strategies to identify community health needs and develop strategies to meet those needs and build community capacity
- Perform a variety of clinical interventions
- Share public information that relates to prevention programs relevant to EMS and public health

#### **ACCREDITATION**

Minnesota North College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.

#### **PROGRAM NOTES**

- Courses must be taken concurrently
- Additional fees apply to EMTP 2110

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Job opportunities are available in community health care, emergency medical services, and public health.

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