Maryland and the National Continued Competency Program (NCCP) Model for the National Registry Certification Renewal Process

Effective July 1, 2016, Maryland moved to the National Continued Competency Program (NCCP) model for the National Registry certification renewal process. The NCCP model applies to EMR, EMT, CRT, and Paramedic Clinicians. The model consists of three categories of continuing education: National, Local, and Individual; and for most levels, reduced hours and an increase in the amount of distributive education that can be used towards recertification. Below is a breakdown for each Maryland clinician level and information available on the NREMT website about the new NCCP model.

Clinician Level	Maryland Requirements	NREMT Requirements
Paramedic*	 Active registration with NREMT State Content Renewal Courses 	60 hours in a 2-year cycle • 30 hours National (10 can be distributive) • 15 hours Local/State (10 can be distributive) • 15 hours Individual (15 can be distributive) • Skills Verification
CRT	60 hours in a 2-year cycle that meet the requirements of an NREMT Paramedic: • 30 hours National (10 can be distributive) • 15 hours Local/State (10 can be distributive) • 15 hours Individual (15 can be distributive) • Skills Verification from EMSOP • State Content Renewal Courses	NREMT downgraded all Intermediates to AEMT. Maryland does not recognize AEMT for CRT renewal.
EMT**	24 hours in a 3-year cycle	40 hours in a 2-year cycle • 20 hours National (7 can be distributive) • 10 hours Local/State (7 can be distributive) • 10 hours Individual (10 can be Distributive) • Skills Verification
EMR**	12 hours in a 3-year cycle • 2 hours Medical • 2 hours Trauma • 2 hours Local • 6 hours Skills	16 hours ins a 2-year cycle • 8 hours National (3 can be distributive) • 4 hours Local/State (3 can be distributive) • 4 hours Individual (4 can be distributive) • Skills Verification

^{*} Maryland Paramedics are required to maintain active NREMT certification.

^{**} Maryland EMR and EMT clinicians are not required to maintain NREMT certification. However, those that do may use the NREMT process. Maryland EMR and EMT clinicians who do not choose the NREMT process must recertify through the Maryland process in order to maintain their Maryland certifications.