

Emergency Medical Assistants Licensing Board

IV Endorsement Requirements EMALB 2015-01	Reference Information EMA Regulation - S. 10 - Endorsement
	Replaces former policy: New policy as per May 1, 2014 regulation amendments to Section 10 of the EMA Regulations
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Responsible Branch: Emergency Medical Assistants (EMA) Licensing Branch	
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1. Policy Rationale & Purpose:

Currently, BC trained applicants for an IV Endorsement are required to submit proof of course completion, which includes 10 IV starts, successfully complete a Board-approved IV Theory written exam and successfully complete a Board-approved practical exam. This is as per Section 10(1)(c) of the current EMA Regulation.

Amendments to Section 10 of the EMA Regulation on May 1, 2014 allows the licensing board to endorse a licence to permit the EMA to provide a service specified in Schedule 2 for the category of licence in which the EMA is licensed if an EMA provides evidence, satisfactory to the licensing board, that the EMA has:

- a) passed the examinations approved by the licensing board for the purposes of this subsection,
- b) successfully completed the training recognized by the licensing board for the purposes of this subsection, or
- c) met the requirements in both paragraphs (a) and (b),

Policy Scope

This policy applies to all BC training agencies providing a board recognized IV therapy course and all non IV endorsed PCPs that have completed a board authorized IV therapy program in BC.

2. Policy Statement:

As per Section 10(1)(b) of the Regulation, the Board has determined that Primary Care Paramedics (PCPs) that have successfully completed a Board-recognized IV Therapy course, which includes the required 10 IV starts, will qualify for the IV endorsement.

Upon successful completion of a recognized IV therapy course a PCP can submit proof of course completion to getalicense@gov.bc.ca and the IV endorsement will be added to their licence.

The Board will only recognize IV Therapy courses that contain both written and practical examination components, as well as the IV start requirement in [EMALB 2014-12 Initial IV Endorsement Policy](#).

IV Therapy courses will require board recognition every two years initially and up to every five years subsequently.

3. Legal Authority:

- *Emergency Medical Assistants Regulation Section 10 (1)(b)*

4. Key Stakeholders:

- *Training Agencies*
- *PCPs seeking an IV Endorsement*

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Approved (director name & signature):



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