

Appendix A

The below list of capabilities and medications must be read in conjunction with the Scope of Practice of Ambulance Clinicians Policy.

Where additional interventions and medications are indicated below, the colour key below indicates the mandatory activity that must be undertaken prior to any registered person performing an intervention or administering any medication previously not on the scope of practice. Where the skill/medication is used in the absence of such activity, providers will be seen to be acting outside of their scope of practice.

Approved Activity without formal assessment. Where a skill is involved, this may involve practical performance of the skill.

Approved Activity with formal assessment. Where a skill is involved, this may involve practical performance of the skill and a documented competency assessment.

CAPABILITY	CATEGORY OF RESPONDER/CLINICIAN					
	FA	FREC3	ECA	S-ECA	EMT	PARA
AIRWAY MANAGEMENT						
Basic manual airway manoeuvres	x	x	x	x	x	x
Head Tilt, Jaw Thrust						
Suctioning of the airway – upper			x	x	x	x
Suctioning of the airway – (endotracheal)					x	x
Suctioning of the airway – (extraglottic)			x	x	x	x
Manual airway obstruction manoeuvres (conscious choking patient)	x	x	x	x	x	x
Use of Magill's forceps/equivalent			x	x	x	x
Oropharyngeal airway insertion		x	x	x	x	x
Nasopharyngeal airway insertion		x	x	x	x	x
Endotracheal intubation						x
Supraglottic/extraglottic airway devices insertion (CA - Cardiac Arrest)			x	x	x	x
Oro/nasogastric tube insertion						x
Needle cricothyroidotomy						x

OXYGENATION AND VENTILATION	CATEGORY OF RESPONDER/CLINICIAN					
	FA	FREC3	ECA	S-ECA	EMT	PARA
Oxygen administration		x	x	x	x	x
Nebulisation of medications on scope of practice			x	x	x	x
Use of pulse oximetry		x	x	x	x	x
Needle thoracentesis (Adult)					x	x
Needle thoracentesis (Paediatric/Neonate)						x
Bag-valve mask manual ventilation		x	x	x	x	x
Bag-valve tube manual ventilation			x	x	x	x
Mechanical Ventilation					x	x
Use of capnography/capnometry – via endotracheal tube/extraglottic device				x	x	x
Use of capnography/capnometry - via facemask/nasal cannula					x	x

CIRCULATORY MANAGEMENT	CATEGORY OF RESPONDER/CLINICIAN					
	FA	FREC3	ECA	S-ECA	EMT	PARA
Blood pressure measurement including the use of NIBP (automated).			x	x	x	x
Peripheral intravenous cannulation as per relevant protocol – limbs and hands			x	x	x	x
External jugular vein cannulation						x
Intra-osseous insertion – Adult					x	x
Intra-osseous insertion – Paediatric					x	x
Intravenous fluid therapy - Adult			x	x	x	x
Intravenous fluid therapy – Infant and Paediatric					x	x
Oral rehydration	x	x	x	x	x	x
Intravenous/intraosseous drug administration as per medication scope of practice					x	x
Subcutaneous drug administration as medication per scope of practice			x	x	x	x
Intramuscular drug administration as per medication scope of practice			x	x	x	x

CIRCULATORY MANAGEMENT	CATEGORY OF RESPONDER/CLINICIAN					
	FA	FREC3	ECA	S-ECA	EMT	PARA
Use of intravenous infusion devices including pressure infuser, volumetric infusion pump and syringe driver					X	X
External haemorrhage control including use of tourniquet		X	X	X	X	X
Topical Haemostatic Agents	X	X	X	X	X	X
Automated external defibrillation	X	X	X	X	X	X
Manual defibrillation (asynchronous)				X	X	X
Synchronised cardioversion						X
Vagal manoeuvres					X	X
3-Lead ECG acquisition			X	X	X	X
3-Lead ECG interpretation			X	X	X	X
12-Lead ECG acquisition			X	X	X	X
12-Lead ECG interpretation					X	X

OBSTETRIC MANAGEMENT	CATEGORY OF RESPONDER/CLINICIAN					
	FA	FREC3	ECA	S-ECA	EMT	PARA
Normal vaginal delivery as per scope of practice				x	x	x
Prolapsed cord management as per scope of practice				x	x	x
Breech delivery management as per scope of practice				x	x	x
Mal-presentations management as per scope of practice				x	x	x
Preterm labour management as per scope of practice				x	x	x
Obstructed labour management as per scope of practice				x	x	x
Post-partum haemorrhage management as per scope of practice				x	x	x
DIAGNOSTIC AND CLINICAL AIDS	CATEGORY OF RESPONDER/CLINICIAN					
	FA	FREC3	ECA	S-ECA	EMT	PARA
Urinalysis			x	x	x	x
Tympanic thermometry			x	x	x	x
Finger prick and blood glucose measurement			x	x	x	x
Use of ultrasound						x
Use of an otoscope					x	x
Use of a Snellen Chart					x	x
Arterial blood gas sampling and analysis						x

GENERAL	CATEGORY OF RESPONDER/CLINICIAN					
	FA	FREC3	ECA	S-ECA	EMT	PARA
Cardiac arrest management (Basic Life Support)	x	x	x	x	x	x
Cardiac arrest management (Advanced Life Support)				x	x	x
Clinical assessment (as per level of care)	x	x	x	x	x	x
Vital Sign Assessment		x	x	x	x	x
Peak flow measurement and interpretation				x	x	x
Venipuncture Blood Sampling			x	x	x	x
Cervical spinal clearance ¹				x	x	x
Manual in-line stabilisation – spinal management ¹		x	x	x	x	x
Application of limb splints		x	x	x	x	x
Application of pelvic binding devices		x	x	x	x	x
Application of vacuum mattress		x	x	x	x	x
Urinary catheterisation			x	x	x	x
Emergency wound care as per scope of practice	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wound Glue			x	x	x	x
Suturing						x
Withdrawal of resuscitation efforts					x	x
Withholding resuscitation ²	x	x	x	x	x	x
On-scene discharge ³						x
Inter-facility transfer – Medevac			x	x	x	x
Use of an incubator				x	x	x
Use of Ten Second Triage Tool		x	x	x	x	x

* Patient Group Direction Required

LIST OF MEDICATIONS (ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION)	CATEGORY OF RESPONDER/CLINICIAN					
	FA	FREC3	ECA	S-ECA	EMT	PARA
Activated Charcoal - (PO)						X
Adrenaline – 1 in 1,000 (IM)			X*	X*	X*	X
Adrenaline – 1 in 10,000 (IV/IO)					X*	X
Amiodarone Hydrochloride (IV)					X*	X
Aspirin (PO)			X*	X*	X*	X
Atropine Sulphate (IV)						X
Benzylpenicillin Sodium (IV)						X
Chlorphenamine (PO/IM/IV)			X*	X*	X*	X
Clopidogrel (PO)						X
Dexamethasone (PO)						X
Diazepam (PR/IV)				X*	X*	X
Diclofenac sodium (IM)				X*	X*	X
Furosemide (IV)						X
Glucagon (IM)			X*	X*	X*	X
Glucose 10% (IV)				X*	X*	X
Glucose 40% Gel (PO)			X*	X*	X*	X
Glyceryl Trinitrate – GTN (SL)			X*	X*	X*	X
Hydrocortisone (IM/IV)						X
Ibuprofen (PO)				X*	X*	X
Iprratropium Bromide (NEB)				X*	X*	X
Magnesium Sulfate						X
Metoclopramide Hydrochloride (IM/IV)						X

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	FA	FREC3	ECA	S-ECA	EMT	PARA
Methoxyflurane – Pentrox (INH)		x*	x*	x*	x*	x
Midazolam (BUC)						x
Misoprostol (SL/PR)						x
Morphine Sulfate (PO/SC/IM/IV)						x
Naloxone Hydrochloride (IM)			x*	x*	x*	x
Naloxone Hydrochloride (IV/IO)					x*	x
Nitrous Oxide – Entonox (INH)			x*	x*	x*	x
Ondansetron (IM/IV)				x*	x*	x
Oxygen (INH)		x*	x*	x*	x*	x
Paracetamol (PO)			x*	x*	x*	x
Paracetamol (IV)				x*	x*	x
Prednisolone (PO)						x
Salbutamol (NEB)			x*	x*	x*	x
Sodium Chloride 0.9% (IV/IO)				x*	x*	x*
Sodium Lactate Compound - Hartmann's (IV)						x
Syntometrine (IM)						x
Tranexamic Acid – TXA (IV/IO)					x*	x

IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL NOTES

1. Includes the use of all clinically appropriate, evidence-based spinal motion restriction (SMR) devices.
2. In cases involving massive cranial or cerebral destruction, hemicorporectomy, catastrophic truncal injuries incompatible with life (including decapitation), advanced decomposition or putrefaction, incineration, clear evidence of hypostasis or rigor mortis, or where there has been no bystander CPR within 15 minutes prior to ambulance arrival.
3. Discharge refers to the conclusion of clinical care or the end of an episode, either with a referral for ongoing management or with no follow-up arranged. Clinicians who are not authorised to discharge patients autonomously on scene must seek senior clinical advice. Shared decision-making is a mandatory patient safety process. This discharge process does not apply to patients who refuse care or transport and have the capacity to do so; such cases are considered 'self-discharge'. A formal capacity assessment must be completed and documented in these instances.