



## **Massachusetts Emergency Care Training Academy**

### Emergency Medical Technician - B

The Basic training program for Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT's) has an overall objective to improve the quality of pre-hospital emergency care rendered to victims of accidents and sudden illness. As such, the course develops skills in symptom recognition and in all emergency care procedures and techniques currently considered to be within the responsibilities of an EMT providing emergency medical care with an ambulance service.

The course consists of 33 lessons involving 110 hours of classroom and practical application training. These specified training times are minimal; actual training time is expected to range from the minimum of 110 hours to 150 hours or more depending on the individual student needs and cyberclass involvement. The curriculum follows the current Federal Department of Transportation (DOT) guidelines. MECTA's director, Linda J. Gosselin M.S., REMT IC Ed., a Commonwealth of Massachusetts approved EMT Instructor/Coordinator, is the Chief Instructor for the program.

This course is developed for all individuals desiring to perform emergency medical care with an ambulance service. No prior experience is required of the course applicant, however certification in CPR at the healthcare provider level is recommended within the past 6 months.