

Study Guide for EMT students

Chicago EMT Training

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Overview

There are 3 different type of lab days:

Instructional day: Come in and be a sponge. The goal is to become familiar with the tools and techniques of that given day.

Practice Practical/ Exam: You're in groups. You have to assess and manage scenarios as a team. Once everyone is done, we'll take the multiple choice exam. You will not be able to use your pt assessment skill sheets during these scenarios.

Practical Day: You'll be given three scenarios that were similar to the previous lab. You are completing these scenarios individually. The practical is pass/fail. Receiving an 80% will result in 15 points per scenario. Receiving a 79% or below will result in a zero. Inadequate patient assessment performance will lead to retakes during office hours. Retakes do not alter your original grade. They prove your competence in the respective unit.


Clinical Overview

📁 Clinical and Ride Time

📁 Clinical Site Notes

[Clinical Documents Folder](#)

General tips to succeed in this course

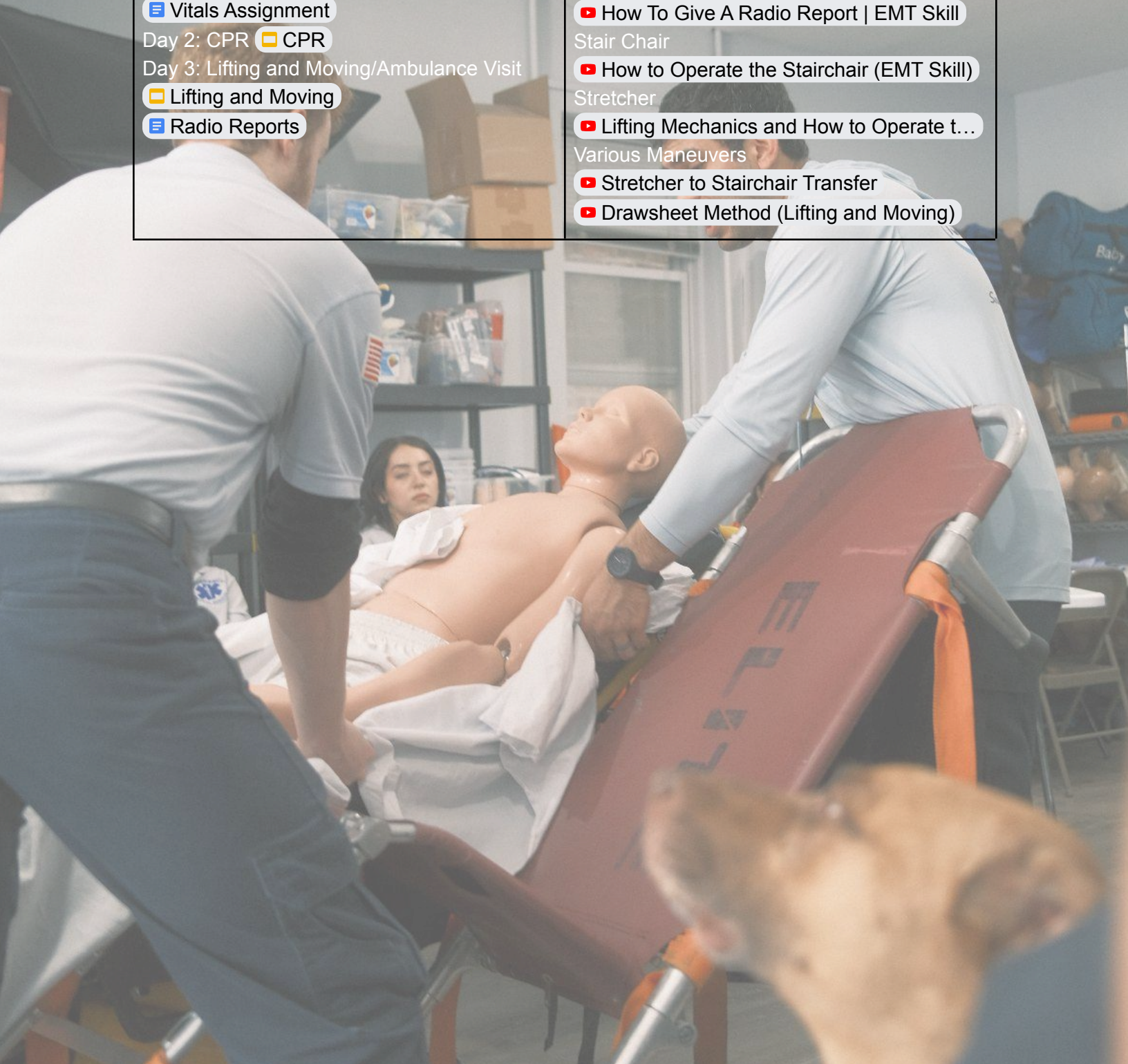
1. Find a study buddy. At least one. Have weekly check-ins with them. When you put yourself in the shoes of the proctor, you learn what we look for.
2. The key to minimizing anxiety during practical exams is by simulating stress during practice. The easiest way to do that is by timing yourself. Most of our practical scenarios are completed within 12 minutes. "Performance parallels preparation" ~David Acosta Jr.
3. Stay on top of the material via MyLab and our Youtube Videos. It's not the difficulty of the material that stifles people, it's the **amount** of material that's overwhelming. Once you fall below an 80%, you're in a hole.
 - a. It is your job to climb out of that hole faster than we bury you.
4. Utilize MyBradyLab **pretest** and **posttest** quizzes to expose yourself to as many similar questions as possible before the multiple choice exams in class. These do not count for credit. If you cannot explain why something is right, purposefully get it wrong so you're provided with an explanation
5. For scantrons, place a dot next to each question that was difficult
 - a. Go deeper: Place dots on top of each letter you were weighing as potentially correct. This will allow you to effectively review your exams upon their return
6. A list of **mentors** you can reach out to:  Mentors for Chicago EMT Training

Unit 1

Intros, Vital Signs, CPR, Lifting and Moving

"We rarely rise to the occasion but rather fall to our level of training"

Slides/Notes	Relevant Videos
Day 1: Lab Orientation/Vital Signs 📅 Day 1 (Welcome and Vital Signs) 📋 Vitals Assignment	▶ How to Take a Full Set of Vital Signs (E... ▶ How to Take a Blood Pressure with AU... ▶ How To Give A Radio Report EMT Skill
Day 2: CPR 📅 CPR	Stair Chair
Day 3: Lifting and Moving/Ambulance Visit 📅 Lifting and Moving 📋 Radio Reports	▶ How to Operate the Stairchair (EMT Skill) Stretcher ▶ Lifting Mechanics and How to Operate t... Various Maneuvers ▶ Stretcher to Stairchair Transfer ▶ Drawsheet Method (Lifting and Moving)



Unit 2

Airway Management, Intro to Patient Assessment, Respiratory, Cardiac
"You are only as successful as your last successful act." Phil Jackson

Slides/Notes	Relevant Videos
<p>Patient Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Intro to Patient AssessmentPatient Assessment Sheets <p>Wrap up Vital Signs/Intro PT Assessment/Exam 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Patient Assessment SheetsThe Heart <p>Airway Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Airway ManagementPatient Assessment Sheets <p>Respiratory and Cardiac</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Respiratory and CardiacPatient Assessment Sheets <p>Unit 2 Scenarios</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Patient Assessment Guide Chicago E...EMT PT assessment FlowchartAnatomy of the Heart (EMT)Overview of the iGelTaking Notes for a Radio Report as an ... <p>Skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">EMT skills: Airway practical NREMTHow to Assemble a Neb TreatmentOxygen tank (EMT Basics)Difference between low flow and high fl...The 4 Indications to CPAP NREMT <p>Full Assessments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dispatched to the Residence for the Ch...Dispatched to Patient Complaining of R...EMT Respiratory AssessmentEMT Cardiac AssessmentNREMT BLS Cardiac Assessment [Upd...Airway Management with an iGel [NRE...

Unit 3

Neurology, Abdominal Pain (GI, GU, OB, Gyn), Immunology
“Don’t be bitter, be better”

Slides/Notes	Relevant Videos
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Unit 3 Instructional Part 1Unit 3 ScenariosPatient Assessment SheetsNeurologyAbdominal Pain and ImmunologyPit_Crew_Restraint_Guide.pdf	<p><u>Neurology and Toxicology</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Stroke Assessment (EMT)How to Check a Blood Sugar with a Glu...Neurological Assessment ft. Opioid ODAnother Chance at Life ft. Narcan <p><u>Immunology, Abdominal Pain, OB</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">How to Assess for AnaphylaxisEMT Skills: Immunology AssessmentEMT Skills: Abdominal Pain AssessmentOB assessment, delivery, and abnormal...

Unit 4

Trauma/Head to Toe Assessment/Splinting/Hemorrhage Control

Slides/Notes	Relevant Videos
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Instructional Trauma Hands onPatient Assessment SheetsTrauma Instruction Pt. 1Trauma Instruction Pt 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">EMT Head to Toe Trauma AssessmentHow to Measure and Apply a C-Collar [...]Hyfin Chest Seal Sucking Chest Woun...Managing Abdominal Eviscerations (EMT)SAM® Pelvic Sling Training Single Per...Combat Application Tourniquet Stop th...Improvised TQ EMT SkillThe SOF-T by TacMed SolutionsSAM XT Tourniquet EMT skillStabilizing an Impaled Object (EMT)SAM Pelvic SlingSplinting an Injured Knee with Rigid Spl...How to Splint an Ankle ft. Erik PSling n Swathe (EMT)The Lost Art of the Hare Traction SplintKED EMT Skill <p>Full Scenarios:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dispatched for the Impaled Object and ...Dispatched to the House Fire for the Bu...

Final Practical Review

"The job's not done"

Final Practical Review

Final Boss | EMT Scenario

Burn Victim Involved in Car Fire and MVC | EMT Final Boss

Dispatched to the Nightclub for the Altercation | EMT Final Boss

You Are Dispatched For The Fall ft. Sarah and Rowanne

Dispatched to the Fall at the Music Festival ft. Dawson [EMT Final Boss]

Final Exam (may flip with Final Practical depending on instructor staff availability)

- 100 multiple choice questions (200 points)
- Guest speakers from employers

Be prepared to submit your legal name and SSN

Final Practical

- Scenarios that include both medical and trauma concepts
- Examples:
 - MVC caused by a driver experiencing a seizure
 - ETOH patient that experienced a dog bite
 - Heat stroke patient that fell off roof
 - Respiratory distress after jumping out of burning building
 - Drowning victim that was bit by a shark
 - Stroke patient that fell down stairs
 - OB patient who was a victim of abuse
 - Behavioral patient in altercation
 - GSW victim with respiratory distress
 - Electrical burn patient while that fell off of a ladder
 - Respiratory distress and hemorrhaging from blast injuries

Required deliverables by final day

- [ICS 100](#) and [200](#) ([700](#) and [800](#) are 5 points Extra Credit)
- Clinical Reflection Paper (60 points)
 - 3 pages double spaced
 - Reflect on your experiences on the ambulance as well as in the hospital
- Reflection paper on EMS article (10 points extra credit)
 - 1.5 pages double spaced reflecting on the EMS article
- Clinical PCRs are due **one week** after each clinical. *Not* on the last day.
- Come in uniform for class pictures 😊

Instructions for NREMT:

- a. Sign up and pass the NREMT at NREMT.org
- b. Complete this form to get your IL license:
<https://form.jotform.com/251085329838061>

Advice for seeking a job:

1. Identify priorities and interests
2. From your clinical rotations, did you prefer to be in an ambulance or within the ED?
3. For ambulance companies, identify:
 - a. Proximity to your home
 - b. Hourly Rate and Benefits
 - c. Contracts they serve (hospital groups, nursing homes, etc)
 - d. Room for growth
 - e. Culture
 - f. Help with paramedic school?

Resources:

1. [Chicago Region XI BLS Standing Medical Orders](#)
2. [Chicago Region XI ALS Standing Medical Orders](#)
3. [EMT Pocket Prep \(Mobile App for iPhone\)](#)
4. [EMS Pocket Prep \(Mobile App for Android\)](#)

