RWJBarnabas Health's

Initial EMT Training Program Application

KERRI BLOODGOOD has been an EMT since 1998, served on the Hillsborough Rescue Squad, and loves serving within the community. She just graduated top of her class from AIMS Education, an Allied Health Technical School, as a Diagnostic Cardiac Sonographer. She is still registered as an active EMT and plans to become a CPR instructor and then an EMT Instructor. GREG FILIPSKI, a full-time educator, teaches health at Bridgewater-Raritan High School. He enjoys sharing his 20+ years of both paid and volunteer EMS experience. His background in wilderness and aquatic rescue allows him to provide unique perspectives on EMS operations. He currently works parttime paid EMS and volunteers where he has been elected to multiple leadership positions, including past Captain. JOHN GEIB has been involved in EMS since 2000 as a volunteer in Edison township. John became an EMT in early 2001 and a Mobile Intensive Care Paramedic in 2009. John has spent most of his career in high volume EMS systems in Middlesex Monmouth Somerset and Union counties. John has been an EMS Instructor since 2008, and has been an EMS Operations Supervisor at JFK Medical Center in Edison since 2013 as well as a staff Paramedic at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital **DIANE HOFFMAN** has volunteered with the Branchburg Rescue Squad since 1995. In addition to volunteering, Diane has worked doing paid EMS at Somerset Medical Center for 6 years. She is also an American Heart Association BLS Skills Instructor and an educator for the Mobile Health Services Education Division at RWJ. Diane loves teaching about the relationship of respect between caregiver and patient which has affectionately earned her the nickname "Mamma D" in the EMS community. **KATHLEEN HONEYWELL** welcomes you to the beginning of a career you'll love and will pay you not only in your pocket, but also in your heart. EMS was a late in life career change for her after seeing how much one of her sons was enjoying volunteering. She has since been in EMS for 13 years, a paramedic for 7 years, and an EMT Instructor for 4 years. Her Mom always said, "Find a job you love, and you will never 'work' a day in your life" and she finds that has been true! CHRIS IRELAND has volunteered in Bridgewater since 1995, has served many squad leadership positions including Chief, and in 2014 was publicly elected to serve the township as a fire commissioner. He has worked for RWJUH as an Educator since 2006 and is one of our AHA Training Center Faculty. During the day, Chris works as a music educator in the Bridgewater-Raritan Schools having a B.M. in Music Education from Ithaca College and M.Ed in Educational Leadership from TCNJ. WARREN KOLENDRISKI has been an EMT for 11 years with 10 years of volunteering with the Port Reading First Aid Squad where he held the position of Chief from 2010-2013. He holds an EMT-I and NREMT certification, is an AHA Faculty member, and an instructor for the American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI), the National Safety Council (NSC), and CEVO/DDC. Warren has a BS in Business Administration/Management and a MBA, both from Monmouth University. JOHN MADURA is retired after years in Automotive and Law enforcement. He has assisted at multiple NJ Vo-Tech schools and is a former Asset committee chair at Middlesex County College. He is a current EMT and training center faculty at Rutgers-RWJ medical school. John enjoys teaching and shares his knowledge in a way that helps students to learn and retain information. DIRK MCKENNEY is the EMT Course Coordinator for RWJ-Somerset. An EMT since 1989, he became an EMT Instructor in 2000 and teaches at Sussex Community College, Less Stress Instructional Services, and RWJ-Somerset. Dirk has volunteered for Hopatcong Ambulance, Hamburg First Aid Squad, and Hardyston Rescue and has worked for Tri-State Ambulance, Linden EMS and RWJ–Somerset. In addition to teaching, Dirk is the Information Technology Manager for a medical insurance company and is also a New Jersey Mobile Intensive Care Paramedic. NICK McKENNEY has been an EMT and been volunteering with Wantage Township First Aid Squad since 2014. Nick currently works at Chilton Medical Center as an ICU technician and Hopatcong Ambulance Squad as an EMT. Nick is enrolled in Felician University's BSN/RN program. ANN RYAN has been an EMT for over 25 years and currently volunteers with Peapack Gladstone First Aid Squad. She is also a past Captain of Califon First Aid Squad. Ann works for RWJUH as one of our Training Center Faculty. Ann holds a B.A. in English, a M.Ed in Special Education, and is certified as a Teacher of the Handicapped. Ann currently works at North Plainfield High School.

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