

Health 81
Skills Lab

Topic: Prehospital Care Documentation Using a PCR

Objectives:

3-8.11 Complete a prehospital care report.

EQUIPMENT NEEDED:

Pen
Blank Prehospital Care Report

SCENARIO:

In the Field:

The emergency medical dispatcher sends you to the scene of a motor-vehicle collision 3 miles west of the convenience store on Fonda Road. The emergency involves a single car that has struck a telephone pole. When you arrive at the scene, you do a quick scene size-up. The vehicle has only minor damage, and no lines are down. First Responders from the fire department have secured the scene and have initiated CPR on a male patient. You notice no obvious signs of trauma on the patient, except a 1-inch laceration to the forehead.

One of the First Responders reports: "The patient's license indicates that he is in his mid-60s. When we arrived, he was already in cardiac and respiratory arrest. We extricated him from the vehicle and began CPR, while providing manual cervical-spine stabilization."

You write down the First Responder's comments in quotes and tell him to continue with CPR. Meanwhile, you insert an oral airway and apply the automated external defibrillator (AED). Readings on the AED advise you to stand clear as it begins to charge. The AED shocks the patient a total of three times in this sequence.

Your EMT-Basic partner restarts CPR and continues it for 1 minute. Readings on the AED indicate that the patient has a shockable rhythm. Your partner stands back, and the AED shocks three more times.

The patient now has a weak pulse, but he is still not breathing. You place him on a long spine board and begin transport to the hospital. En route, the patient becomes pulseless. You use the AED again, regaining the pulse on the seventh shock.

You recheck the patient's pulse and find it to be strong-62 beats per minute. Other vital signs show a blood pressure of 112/52 and six spontaneous breaths per minute. You assist his ventilations.

You continue checking vital signs. Upon arrival at the hospital, the patient has a pulse rate of 68, blood pressure of 124/72, and respirations of 16. He has spontaneous eye opening but is not following commands. Because of the patient's condition, you have been unable to obtain a medical history. You also have no knowledge of prescribed medications or allergies. You did, however, discover some pertinent personal information from the patient's license. Data included: patient name-James Gilligan; date of birth-June 7, 1932; address-73 First Street, Waterford, NY.

You have also recorded these times for your unit, ID# 123 of the Emergency Team.

* Call received 0934
* En route 0936
* At scene 0941
* From scene 0955
* At hospital 1013
* In service 1039
* In quarters 1049
From the AED:
* Power on 0943.22

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| * Shock 1 | 0943.55 |
| * Shock 2 | 0944.12 |
| * Shock 3 | 0944.52 |
| * Shock 4 | 0946.02 |
| * Shock 5 | 0946.51 |
| * Shock 6 | 0947.31 |
| * Shock 7 | 1007.29 |

Using the information in this scenario, fill out as many parts of the following prehospital care report as possible. You might substitute the prehospital care report used by an EMS agency in your area.