

Appendix 1: Scope of practice for paramedic flight crews

	Primary care paramedics	Advanced care paramedics	Critical care paramedics
AIRWAY PROCEDURES			
Bag-valve-mask ventilation	X	X	X
Nasotracheal intubation		X	X
Orotracheal intubation		X	X
Foreign object removal		X	X
Other Advanced Life Support airway		X	X
Laryngeal mask airway		X	X
Ascherman chest seal		X	X
Needle thoracostomy		X	X
Needle / surgical cricothyrotomy			X
CARDIAC RESUSCITATION			
Cardiopulmonary resuscitation / chest compressions	X	X	X
Cardioversion		X	X
Carotid sinus massage		X	X
Precordial thump		X	X
Manual defibrillation		X	X
Automatic defibrillation		X	X
External pacing		X	X
Dextrose or glucagon administration*	X	X	X
MEDICATIONS			
Vasopressor medications *†		X	X

*Administration of any medication by a paramedic is at the discretion of the medical director.

†Infusions of dopamine, norepinephrine, epinephrine and vasopressin.