



# EMERGENCY CARE & SAFETY INSTITUTE

## Wilderness First Aid Course

### INFORMATION SHEET

Venturing Crew #77, North Valley District, Minsi Trails Council is pleased to offer the Emergency Care & Safety Institute BSA Wilderness First Aid course.

#### **Course Description:**

This is a nationally certified Emergency Care & Safety Institute course. Participants successfully completing the course will receive certificates for BSA Wilderness First Aid, Standard First Aid, and Adult CPR/AED which are valid for two years.

Completion of this course is now required for all units participating in a high adventure activity, such as Philmont or Sea Base. At least one person per crew must be certified (it is strongly recommended that at least two people are certified).

This course is recommended in the Guide to Safe Scouting for all groups conducting wilderness camping. Trek Safely guidelines specifically mention it.

Emergency Care & Safety Institute courses are recognized by the Boy Scouts of America, OSHA, and the Pennsylvania Department of Health, as well as other national organizations.

#### **Topics covered:**

Delayed-help situations, emergency action steps, scene assessment and management, patient assessment and records, disease transmission prevention, prioritizing care, contacting help, long term care, wounds, injuries, sudden illnesses, bites & stings, backcountry miseries, plan execution, and evacuation planning.

#### **Prerequisites:**

There are no first aid prerequisites required, but basic first aid skills are recommended (example: Boy Scout First Aid M.B. skills).

#### **Participants:**

Participation is open to all Venturers and Boy Scouts aged 14+ and leaders. All Venturers and Scouts must have the approval of their Crew Advisor or Scoutmaster.

#### **Costs:**

The cost for the course includes educational materials, supplies, certificates, and if applicable food and lodging.

#### **Course Length:**

The length of the course is approximately 20 hours.

#### **PA DOH EMS Continuing Education Units (Con-Ed):**

12.5 Medical/Trauma and 4 Other con-ed credits will be awarded to EMR, EMT, EMT-P

#### **Registration / Contact:**

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