

**Subject:** Scope of Practice – BLS  
 Public Safety-First Aid Scope (PSFA) of Practice

<p>Purpose</p>	<p>To define the regional Public Safety-First Aid Providers scope of practice.</p>
<p>Procedures</p>	<p>Public Safety-First Aid Provider, after completion of training and demonstration of competency for each skill listed in this section, is authorized to perform medical care while at the scene of an emergency including, but not limited to, CPR and AED and may do the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Evaluate the ill and injured.</li> <li>2. Provide treatment for shock.</li> <li>3. Use the following techniques to support airway and breathing:</li> <li>4. Manual airway opening methods, including head-tilt chin-lift and/ or jaw thrust.</li> <li>5. Manual methods to remove an airway obstruction in adults, children, and infants.</li> <li>6. Use the recovery position.</li> <li>7. Perform the following during emergency care:</li> <li>8. Spinal immobilization/Spinal motion Restriction.</li> <li>9. Splinting of extremities.</li> <li>10. Emergency eye irrigation using water or normal saline.</li> <li>11. Assist with administration of oral glucose.</li> <li>12. Assist patients with administration of physician-prescribed epinephrine devices and naloxone.</li> <li>13. Assist in emergency childbirth.</li> <li>14. Hemorrhage control using direct pressure, pressure bandages, principles of pressure points, and tourniquets. Hemostatic dressings may be used from the list approved by the EMS Authority.</li> <li>15. Chest seals and dressings.</li> <li>16. Simple decontamination techniques and use of decontamination equipment.</li> <li>17. Care for amputated body parts.</li> <li>18. Provide basic wound care.</li> </ol>
<p>Local Expanded Scope Practice</p>	<p>In addition to the Basic Scope of Practice (above) PSFA personnel are authorized by North Coast EMS with additional training and testing may perform the below local expanded scope of practice while working or volunteering for a public safety provider.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Administration of epinephrine by auto-injector for suspected anaphylaxis.</li> </ol>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>2. Administer supplemental oxygen therapy using a non-rebreather mask or nasal cannula and bag-valve-mask.</li><li>3. Administration of naloxone via prefilled intranasal device.</li><li>4. Use of oropharyngeal airways (OPA) and nasopharyngeal airways (NPA)</li></ul>
<p style="text-align: center;">Special Information</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Public Safety-First Aid provider agencies wishing to add some or all the local expanded scope will ensure that the training and testing adheres to the state required training and testing.</li><li>B. At the completion of initial training agencies ensure that personnel receive a refresher course every two years.</li></ul>