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Maine Emergency Medical Services licenses six more Falmouth Fire-EMS members at the Intermediate Emergency Medical Technician level.

Falmouth, ME, July 6, 2009: Suzanne Cook, David Cuttler, Jack Davis, Paul Goldstein, Greg Murphy and Josh Perry have been issued their Intermediate EMT license after ten months of dedicated classroom and clinical instruction. Having passed their state practical and written exams they are now able to practice at the Advanced Life Support level for the Falmouth Fire-EMS Department. In addition to the classroom time students where required to complete over 150 hours of clinical instruction. Clinical instruction included time spent in the Emergency Room, Intensive Care Unit, Respiratory Therapy Unit and the Operating Room.

Falmouth Fire-EMS Assistant Chief Doug Patey, who oversees the EMS Division as the Department's Chief Paramedic commented, "We are so proud of the accomplishment of these providers. In today's world of busy schedules it is impressive that they have all dedicated months of their time to this difficult certification. It is truly a statement of their dedication to the citizens of Falmouth."

The Intermediate level allows these providers to place IV's, advanced airways and administer a limited number of medications. Their most important skill is the level of assessment they can provide for a medical or trauma patient to determine the best pathway for treatment. Falmouth Fire-EMS responds to 1,000 medical incidents per year.

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