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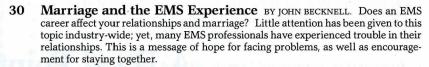


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42 Help Wanted (We Will Train) BY DAVID M. BECK. The question now faced by many communities and their supporting EMS agencies is whether the applicable volunteer resources will decrease as EMS progresses. If the current decline in volunteer contributions continues, EMS decision makers may have this question answered for them.

Recruiting EMS Volunteers BY THOMAS H. SWAN, NREMT-P. Recruiting new volunteers for EMS can be a frustrating and trying task. But by understanding why people volunteer and how to successfully compete with the hundreds of other ways they can spend their time — managers will find it easier to recruit the volunteers needed.

Volunteer Incentives BY EDWARD HUDGINS, AEMT. The Riverhead (N.Y.)
Town Volunteer Ambulance Corps' Incentive Program was formed for the special
and express purpose of researching incentives which could be available to volunteer
emergency response personnel. Having trouble recruiting and then keeping the
volunteer? Apply these incentive ideas and see if there is a difference.

The Lidocaine-Novocain Allergy Connection BY JUDITH A. RUPLE, RN AND DANIEL BROWN, PHARM.D. Emergency care providers have been taught that patients who are allergic to Novocain are also likely to be allergic to lidocaine. Since the majority of EMTs and emergency nurses are not able to adequately identify anesthetics, the result is that a patient will have lidocaine withheld (despite being indicated) based on erroneous information.

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