

*In the new Joint Commission requirements DF.1 it says "Eighty percent of emergency department practitioners are knowledgeable of the following..." Who is the practitioner? Does it include EMS working in the ED and Patient care technicians?*

My understanding of "practitioner" from the Joint Commission is any "licensed" practitioner, RN, MD. I would not group EMS and PCT in that group. PA is questionable, not sure if they are licensed or certified.

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That includes EMS, ED nurse, physician, PA or NP. Any professional that is providing care in the ED should be knowledgeable in the standard of care for the stroke population.

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