**Leadership section**

What sets the AMCNH Chapter leadership training session apart is its experiential education learn by doing method of instruction. The entire training weekend is structured to have you working in a small group of up to seven leader candidates and two volunteer instructors. The instructors have long histories of leading and training new leaders. This method will have you actively using your new skills as you acquire them. Experience has shown that this provides an optimal learning environment. Approximately half of the time will be learning by doing outside on the route Leading and half the time inside in small group exchanging ideas and deriving solutions. Be prepared to be outside about 5 hours each day and travel 4-5 miles through the woods.

This section is for those who have mastered the basics of three-season hiking. Exercises in planning, organizing, and expediting a trip. Emphasizing leadership techniques and group dynamics. Review of the basics, accident scene management, medical considerations and off-trail navigation. Also, for people with potential and desire to become trip Leaders for the NH Chapter. Proficiency hiking on mountain trails is a prerequisite.

Conducted in a small group session to includes the following topics:

-shared group responsibility and the roles of the leader in delegating responsibilities to other members of the party.

-appropriate equipment and materials that the prepared group should have with them to handle whatever emergency they may encounter.

- personal preparedness, fitness, individual preparation for the trip, on the part of the leader, the leader being able to identify their own strengths, weaknesses, and abilities, and knowing how to appropriately delegate things to other members to the party.

-Group dynamics includes, the details of identifying the type of activity that you will be planning whether you are doing it with a group that is pre-configured or individuals who will be seeing the advertisements of the events coming to them that must be screened and registered beforehand. Diversity and equity.

-How to take registrations and do screening over the phone.

-details of the trip planning and logistics for the trip, meeting time, place, equipment, and materials needed, transportation to and from the sight.

-Group planning including emergency route planned out ahead of time with compass bearings and map directions for escape.

-Trail head talk: etiquette: Introductions of members in the excursion to each other, rules of the road, how the group will function during the activity, how to handle necessary functions on the excursion.

-How to handle difficult participants in the excursion using group dynamics to your advantage. Understanding the various roles that different members play in a group.

-Identifying and sticking to safety protocols including shared responsibilities, utilization of skills of the members of the party, turnaround times, and escape routes. Rds 3.10.18