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August F. Bamonti III has taught PHTLS to hundreds of students throughout the U.S. and from more than 25 other countries. He also is an instructor and trainer in Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Pre-Hospital Care, Advanced Medical Life Support, Advanced Hazardous Material Life Support and Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation, as well as serving as an instructor for the State of Illinois Lead Emergency Medical Services, Illinois Emergency Management Agency – Community Emergency Response Team and American Heart Association (First Aid). He has lectured to more than 40 organizations in several states.

In addition to his educational work, Bamonti is a Certified Fire Fighter III, Certified Fire Apparatus Engineer, Hazardous Material Technician and Ice Rescue Specialist.

Bamonti earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Wabash College in Crawfordsville, Ind. and went on to become a EMT-B in 1987. From 1987 to 1995 he worked as a nursing assistant and triage paramedic for St. James Hospital in Chicago Heights. He completed his paramedic training in 1988 through Ingall's Hospital and worked until 2004 for the Chicago Heights Fire Department, working for 10 years as a paramedic firefighter, then moving to a paramedic engineer from 1998 to 2001, and finally serving as EMS officer with the rank of acting through 2004. While there, he was responsible for QAJQI for the department's 3,500 EMS calls per year, conducting continuing education for its 45 paramedics and representing the department to local hospitals and to the district's Fire Chiefs' Association.

He is a contributing author to the PHTLS text, Fifth and Sixth Editions, and to the books *Emergency First Responder*, *Making the Difference*, *Emergency Medical Technician*, *Making the Difference* and *The Basic EMT*. He also has published articles in the *Journal of Emergency Medical Services* and in the newsletters of the National Association of Emergency Medical Services Educators and NAEMT.