

National EMS Education Standards Communiqué #10

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National EMS Education Standards

On behalf of the National Association of EMS Educators (NAEMSE), the National EMS Education Standards Project Team is pleased to present Draft 3.0 of the *National EMS Education Standards* (the *Standards*) for your review and comment. Although NAEMSE is leading this task, the *Standards* will be a product of the national EMS community.

The first draft (Draft 1.0) of the *Standards* served as a starting point for dialogue with the national EMS community and Draft 2.0 was based on the input received from the national EMS community. Draft 3.0 is based on additional input from the national EMS community as well as a National Stakeholders Meeting held in February, 2008. During the Stakeholders Meeting, consensus was reached on the necessary changes for draft 3.0

Please review Draft 3.0 of the *Standards* and continue to share your comments, suggestions, and observations with the project team so we can further refine and improve the documents. The final *National EMS Education Standards* will be most successful when they reflect the broadest possible consensus of the national EMS community.

Draft 3.0 of the *Standards* for all four levels of EMS personnel -- Emergency Medical Responder (EMR), Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Advanced EMT (AEMT), and Paramedic – are available to download and to provide your comments at: www.nemses.org. All comments on Draft 3.0 of the *Standards* will be submitted to the Project Team and considered for incorporation into the drafts. We will accept comments on this draft through the end of May, 2008. The final draft will be delivered to NHTSA in August or September, 2008.

Instructor Guidelines

The third drafts of the Instructional Guidelines (IG) are not ready to be released for comment. The IG will continue to be revised based on draft 3.0 of the Education Standards and the comments received on Draft 2.0 and will be released for comments in the summer of 2008. The Project Team developed Instructional Guidelines to aid instructors, EMS education programs, and publishers. To learn more about Instructional Guidelines, please [click here](#).

Next Steps

The Project Team will:

- Continue to revise and update the final drafts of the *Standards*
- Depend on your continued feedback to improve the *Standards* and related IG
- Present final drafts of the *Standards* and related IG to NHTSA in September 2008