



National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians®

THE NATION'S EMS CERTIFICATION™

ABOUT US:

The National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (National Registry) serves as the Nation's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Certification organization. The purpose of the National Registry has always been centered on protecting the public and advancing the EMS profession.

MISSION:

The National Registry's mission is to provide a valid, uniform process to assess the knowledge and skills required for competent practice by EMS professionals throughout their careers, and to maintain a registry of certification status.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

The National Registry is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of some of the most prominent figures from all segments of the EMS community and the general public. Our board members are committed to public protection and quality patient care. View members [here](#).

HISTORY:

It has been nearly five decades since President Lyndon Johnson's Committee on Highway Traffic Safety recommended the creation of a national certification agency to establish uniform standards for training and examination of personnel active in the delivery of emergency ambulance service. The result of this recommendation was the creation of the National Registry in 1970. Prior to that time, a national certification standard for emergency medical care did not exist.

Since then, the National Registry has certified over one million EMS providers. Today, over 330,000 individuals are Nationally Certified at the Emergency Medical Responder (EMR), Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Advanced-EMT (AEMT), or Paramedic level.

VALUES:

Quality. Professionalism. Integrity. Evidence. Excellent. Collaborative. Responsible. Innovative. Impartiality.

PROFESSIONAL ACCREDITATION:

The National Registry is accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA), the accreditation body of the Institute for Credentialing Excellence.



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HOW STATES USE NREMT:

The National Registry is recognized in every state in the United States, and 46 states use the National Registry certification as a basis for licensure.

EXAMINATION DEVELOPMENT:

The National Registry certifies four levels of Emergency Medical Services professionals: EMR, EMT, AEMT, and Paramedic as identified in the National EMS Scope of Practice Model.

National experts in EMS – including state officials, educators, employers, and EMS physicians – write examination questions. Examinations are built from item banks that contain thousands of questions. The examination development process follows the Standards for Educational and Psychological Testing. This process ensures the certification examination is both legally defensible and psychometrically sound.

VOLUNTEERS:

The National Registry relies heavily on input from volunteers in the EMS community to improve our products and services. Several times a year the National Registry gathers a diverse group of EMS professionals from across the nation to collaborate in areas such as [cognitive examination development](#), [psychomotor examination development](#), [publication and software review](#), [practice analysis](#), and others. EMS personnel of all backgrounds and experience levels are encouraged to apply and become part of this prestigious group that is helping shape the future of the National Registry. Learn more about volunteer opportunities and the application process [here](#).

NREMT DATA:

Access an interactive map of National Registry data in real time [here](#).

ANNUAL REPORTS:

The National Registry is a non-profit agency committed to public protection and the EMS profession. View a library of current and past annual reports [here](#).

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