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Dear Mr. Scott:

The National Association of State Emergency Medical Services Officials (NASEMSO) respectfully requests that the Commission on Accreditation for Prehospital Continuing Education (CAPCE) approve the Traffic Incident Management (TIM) training for continuing education credit.

During each minute that passes in the United States, three road-traffic injury crashes occur. These traffic crashes place nearly 39,000 incident responders potentially in harm's way every day. The longer incident responders remain at the scene, the greater the risk they face. However, a cadre of well-trained responders not only helps to improve traffic incident response and the safety of responders, but also reduces secondary crashes that occur because of incident-related congestion, decreases traffic delays caused by incidents, and reduces incident response time. Congestion from these incidents often generates secondary crashes, further increasing traveler delay and frustration, and may even contribute to delayed response to and transport of patients unrelated to the incident.

The National Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Responder Training was created by responders for responders. This U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration course provides incident responders a shared understanding of the requirements for the safe, quick clearance of traffic incident scenes; prompt, reliable and open communication; and motorist and responder safeguards.

The structured 4-hour course includes nine modules:

Course Introduction	Fundamentals/Terminology	Notification/Scene Size-Up
Safe Vehicle Positioning	Scene Safety	Command Responsibilities
Traffic Management	Special Circumstances	Clearance & Termination

The Traffic Incident Management course has been accredited by the International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET), and is offered in two formats: an instructor-led course or via the National Highway Institute on-line eLearning platform. The course is also

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recognized by the National Registry of EMTs for continuing education credit for those renewing their NREMT certification.

For more information about the TIM training program, please see Traffic Incident Management at https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/eto_tim_pse/about/tim.htm. You may also contact TIM Training Program Manager, James Austrich at james.austrich@dot.gov or Executive Director Dia Gainor at dia@nasemso.org.

Thank you for consideration of this request.

Kind Regards,



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