



Transition Plan for EMS Testing and Certification

Whereas, the National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) led the national dialogue about EMS Education that spawned *The EMS Education Agenda for the Future: A Systems Approach* (“Education Agenda”) and is now leading the nationwide effort to implement the Education Agenda; and

Whereas, National EMS Education Standards based on the National EMS Scope of Practice Model were published in January 2009; and

Whereas, 45 states, one US territory, and several military branches currently use a testing process provided by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT); and

Whereas, the results from the 2009-2010 NASEMSO Annual Education Agenda Statewide Implementation Survey were used to estimate a timeframe when the majority of states projected readiness for implementation of the scope of practice levels described as part of the *Education Agenda*; and

Whereas, NASEMSO provided input to the “Matrix for Testing Transition” (appended below) which it disseminated widely to the states in May 2010; and


Whereas, NASEMSO’s Education and Professional Standards Council has expressed support for the time frames, and NASEMSO’s Education Agenda Implementation Team has received no objections to this proposal; and


Whereas, the NREMT is in need of guidance from the states to implement certification exams based on the new models.

Now, therefore be it resolved that NASEMSO supports the appended “Matrix for Testing Transition” for implementation of certification exams based on the *Scope of Practice Model* and *Education Standards*.

Be it further resolved that the National Registry of EMTs continue to offer access to the I-99 examination to states for purposes of state licensure.

Signed this 15th day of October, 2010.


Steve Blessing
2008-10 President


Jim DeTienne
2009-10 Secretary

Intended recipients:
The National Registry of EMTs

Matrix for Testing Transition

	When do new/updated NREMT exams start?	Last date course based on NSC could finish	Last NREMT certification exam given	Transition completed by
FR		Determined by State	December 31, 2011	September 30, 2016
EMR	January 1, 2012			
EMT-B		Determined by State	December 31, 2011	March 31, 2016
EMT	January 1, 2012			
I-85		Determined by State	March 31, 2013	March 31, 2018 Test AEMT cognitive exam
AEMT	June 1, 2011			
I-99		Determined by State	December 31, 2013	March 31, 2020 Test paramedic cognitive exam
EMT-P		Determined by State	December 31, 2012	March 31, 2017
Paramedic	January 1, 2013			