



Highlights from the Program Directors Focus Group (PDFG) Meeting
October 27, 2025, 1:00P-2:30P Central Time

The Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the EMS Professions (CoAEMSP) Program Directors Focus Group (PDFG) met via Zoom on October 27, 2025, for its quarterly meeting. The highlights from the meeting follow.

1. **Reviewed the PDFG Meeting Minutes and CoAEMSP Board Meeting Highlights.**
 - a. **PDFG Meeting Minutes** (July 22, 2025).
 - b. **CoAEMSP Board Meeting Highlights** (July 31, 2025).
2. **2023 Annual Report Factsheet.** Compiled from the 2023 CoAEMSP Annual Report, the data gathered from programs nationwide reflected increases in graduation and enrollment. PDFG members indicated that the data is useful to provide a national scope and use as a benchmark for their own programs.
3. **PDFG Feedback/Discussion.**
 - a. **Annual Reporting.** PDFG members discussed the timing of the CoAEMSP Annual Report and indicated that the current spring timeline works well.
 - b. **Standards Interpretation.** PDFG members gave feedback on the proposed *Standards* interpretation language regarding final psychomotor evaluations. PDFG members felt that the proposed language is adequate but indicated a need for further clarification regarding affective evaluation.
 - c. **Student Minimum Competency Recommendations (SMC).** PDFG members shared the SMC categories that present a challenge to meet and suggested new categories to be added.
 - d. **Webinar/Research Topics.** PDFG members brainstormed future CoAEMSP webinar topics including what forms are necessary and item analysis, among others. Additionally, PDFG members offered insight for future research topics for the CoAEMSP to pursue including affective domain evaluation and admission requirements, among others.

Next Meeting: 2026: date TBD web meeting