Highlights from the Program Directors Focus Group (PDFG) Meeting
October 27, 2026, 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, 2026, 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 20, 2026).
   b. **CoAEMSP Board Meeting Highlights** (August 6, 2026).
2. **CoAEMSP LinkedIn.** Shared a QR code linking to the CoAEMSP LinkedIn page with the goal of growing the CoAEMSP's page for future communications.
3. **AI in EMS Education.** Presented the opportunity to participate in a pilot survey regarding AI in EMS Education prior to larger scale dissemination.
4. **PDFG Feedback/Discussion.**
   a. **Federal Accreditation Regulations.** Accreditation regulations at the federal level continue to change on a regular basis and PDFG members are encouraged to refer to their institutional accreditor's websites for their specific positions and additional information.
   b. **Webinar/Research Topics.** PDFG members brainstormed future CoAEMSP webinar topics including the "do nots" of site visits, the pros and cons of competency-based capstone field internship, AI as a tool and setting guidelines, and item analysis/exam, among others.
5. **Next Meeting:** 2027: date TBD web meeting