Georgia OEMS – EMS Instructor Update

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Housekeeping items

Please mute your lines

Please enter your full name and <u>provider</u> number into the chat box

You will only receive credit if we have your complete information

Type questions into the chat box-we will address them at the end if they are not covered in the presentation

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A brief look at renewals as of 10am today

EMT	1102
EMT-Intermediate	1453
Advanced EMT	664
Cardiac Technician	9
Paramedic	1746
TOTAL	4974

Agenda

- Changes we have made and why
- TRAIN Georgia
- Continuing Education Policy
- Reminders
- Feedback/Questions

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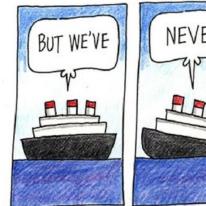
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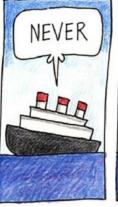


Why...where did ALL these changes come from?

- To address the workforce needs of the future, we are starting at the beginning - with EDUCATION
- EMSAC Education and OEMS analyzed data on retention/pass rates, and as a result, several changes were suggested:
 - o Instructor Licensure changes → New Instructor License Levels
 - o More data → Data reporting requirements for Educational Programs (in LMS)
 - o Standardized policies → New policies on initial education and continuing education

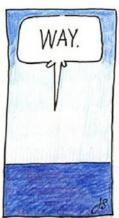
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The most dangerous phrase...



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FERPA Form

- We are trying to protect you!
- The FERPA form is a signed document that the student MUST complete to allow you to release educational information to the Department
- This absolves the program of any issues/concerns that a student may have about their records being released

Terminal Competency

- Past → you had to upload CPR, ACLS, TIM
- Now→ Upload Terminal Competency Form
- Overall, this reduces the amount of paperwork which must be uploaded to allow a student to be cleared to test
- In review it is a snapshot to see how well your students are doing on certain modules as group

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COVID Changes

- Modified standards based on the needs of programs and the workforce during COVID
- Still have to meet MINIMUM state requirements
- The Department sought counsel and made modifications where there were opportunities to ensure that students were able to complete programs and enter the workforce

Other Changes

- EMSEAC
- Regional Councils now MUST have an Education and Training Committee
- Regional Training Coordinator in EVERY region
- New State EMS Training Coordinator
- TRAIN Georgia (more to come)

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Where did all these new ideas come from?



EMS Strategic Plan for Georgia

Strategic Goal #1:

Ensure quality initial education for EMS personnel

- A) Develop statewide EMS educators' consortium
- B) Identify characteristics of successful EMS initial education programs
- C) Increase resources available for initial EMS education programs
 - a. Increase provider access to course availability
 - b. Increase number of instructor courses
 - c. Develop funding pathways to increase continuing education opportunities
- D) Ensure EMS initial education programs meet minimum standards
 - Require programs to public disclose course outcomes (ie., first time pass rates, employment, retention, etc..)
 - b. Develop and apply accountability measures for program/course outcomes
- E) Model education program approval after the current accreditation standards
 - a. Review and approve programs, not individual courses

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EMS Strategic Plan for Georgia

Strategic Goal #2:

Ensure quality continuing education for EMS personnel

- A) Secure online learning management system for the State Office of EMS/Trauma
- B) Ensure CEUs meet requirements of evidence based and practice analysis
- C) Increase collaboration with academic institutions and promote life-long learning

Strategic Goal #3:

Update EMS Instructor licensure process and EMS initial education approval process

A) Align the instructor licensure process levels to SOP levels and to accreditation requirements

Strategic Goal #4:

Advocate for State Educators position

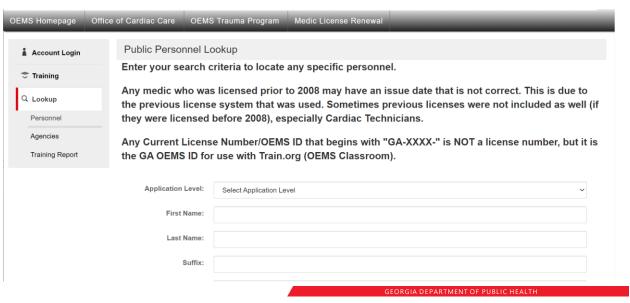
OEMS ID

- Users without a medic license will create a profile on the LMS (students, nurses, physicians, etc.)
- The system will autogenerate a user ID (GA-2021-0000) this ID will be unique to each user and will be used to import courses from TRAIN-GA
- Initial Education students will use this number as their GEMSIS Elite ID number to complete PCR's

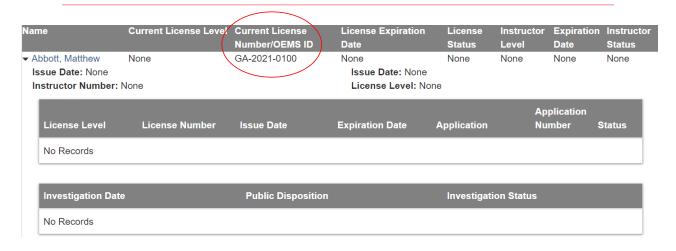
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Where to find it = LMS



Example



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Who is EMSAC? Who is EMSEAC?



EMSAC

- DPH Rule 511-9-2-.03 (1) Statewide Emergency Medical Services Advisory Councils
- Purpose:
 - A statewide Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (EMSAC) shall be established to advise the Department in matters essential to its operations with respect to emergency medical services systems.
- Membership:
 - o At least one representative from each of the state's ten EMS Regions;
 - At least one representative from each of the following systems of care: Cardiac, Stroke, Trauma, Pediatrics, Perinatal Care/Obstetrics
 - A representative from the statewide Emergency Medical Services Medical Director's Advisory Council;
 - A representative of EMS education;
 - o A representative from a fire/rescue service;
 - o A representative from an emergency management agency;
 - At least one representative from each of the following EMS agency license types: Ground Ambulance, Neonatal Ambulance, Air Ambulance, Medical First Responder
 - At least one representative from each of the following EMS agency ownership types: Government (City, County, or State), Private (Corporation, Limited Liability Company, Sole Proprietorship, or other entity), Hospital
 - o Consumers or experts in the field of EMS.

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Who gets on EMSAC? How can I attend?

 Members are appointed by the DPH Commissioner or his/her designee for a term specified in EMSAC's bylaws. Georgia Regional and Statewide EMS Meetings

- ALL EMSAC meetings are open to the public!
 - o Go to: www.ems.ga.gov
 - Click on Public Notices, Regional and Statewide Meetings
 - o Click on EMS Meetings Calendar



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Who is EMSEAC?

Statewide EMS
Educational
Advisory
Committee

Permanent Committee of EMSAC

Membership is appointed by EMSAC Chair

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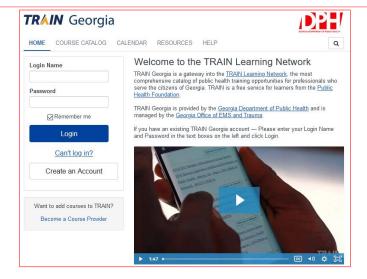
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https://www.train.org/georgia/



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TRAIN Georgia Resources = https://dph.georgia.gov/EMS/train

TRAIN Georgia is a gateway into the TRAIN Learning Network, the most comprehensive catalog of public health training opportunities for professionals who serve the citizens of Georgia. TRAIN is a free service for learners from the Public Health Foundation. The Public Health Foundation (PHF) TrainingFinder Realtime Affiliate Integrated Network (TRAIN) is a learning management system with a centralized, searchable database of courses relevant to public health, safety, and emergency preparedness. It is the nation's most comprehensive catalog of distance learning for public health professionals. TRAIN Georgia is provided by the Georgia Department of Public Health and is managed by the Georgia Office of EMS and Trauma. Click HERE to download a document that details how to sign up for your TRAIN Georgia account.

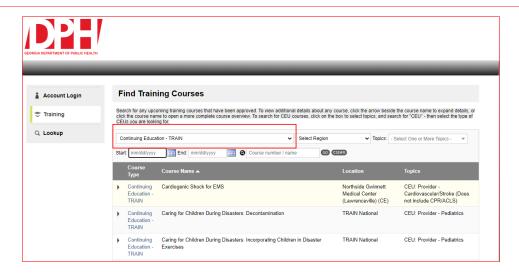
Are courses on TRAIN Georgia approved for CE?

• Some of them are...

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Courses Already Approved – Find on LMS



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General Information

Course Name:

Course Name: Caring for Children During Disasters: Decontamination

Course Type: Continuing Education - TRAIN

Status: Approved

Training Date: 03/18/2021 - 03/18/2023

Test Date:

Attendee Signup Date:

Region Held:

Region Approving:

Location: TRAIN National

Description:

Register on TRAIN.org = https://www.train.org/georgia/course/1082970/

The purpose of the Caring for Children During Disasters: Decontamination educational module is to provide education and resources that can assist providers in identifying the needs of pediatric patients before, during, and after decontamination. This course is designed to build on existing knowledge regarding general decontamination procedures and outline specific pediatric components that should be incorporated into an organization's decontamination plans in order to address the of children. A number of topics will be discussed including:

Risk Factors

Safety and Security

Children with Special Health Care Needs/Children with Functional and Access Needs

Communication Prevention of Injury EMS Needs & Challenges

Assistive Devices & Service Animals

It is our hope that pre-hospital and hospital professionals utilize these materials to further enhance the care of children before, during, and after

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Approved for 0.75 hours Pediatric CE.

Topics: CEU: Provider - Pediatrics

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Definitions for TRAIN Georgia

- Learner: Any health professional, public or private practice, that uses the TRAIN National or Affiliate TRAIN sites to find, register for, or track his or her participation in training opportunities.
- Course Provider Organization or "Organization": Agency/entity that offers courses on TRAIN Georgia.
- Course Provider: Agency staff designated with creating or adapting, posting, managing, maintaining, and/or delivering training content in their area of responsibility via TRAIN Georgia.

Groups

- EMS Provider Status
- Specialty Care Center Affiliation
- Peace Officer Status
- Firefighter Status
- EMS Council Status
- EMS Educational Program Affiliation
 If you select this, you will be asked which program you are affiliated with.
- EMS Instructor Status
- FMS Student Status
- EMS Agency Affiliation
 - o If you select this, you will be asked which agency you are affiliated with (choose primary).

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Select: EMS Provider Status

EMT-I, AEMT, CT, Paramedic)

EMS PROVIDER

Current or Future Georgia Licensed EMS Provider (EMT,

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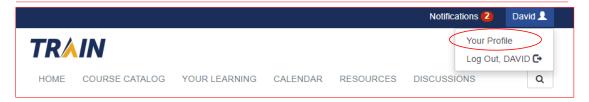
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Georgia OEMS ID Number

- MUST match your CURRENT Primary ID # in LMS
- For medics (not provisional, not temporary):
 - o ONE LETTER
 - SIX DIGITS
 - o Example:
 - □ E012345
 - □ I023456
 - □ A000123
 - □ C000012
 - □ P004409
- If your license # updates...need to update number in TRAIN

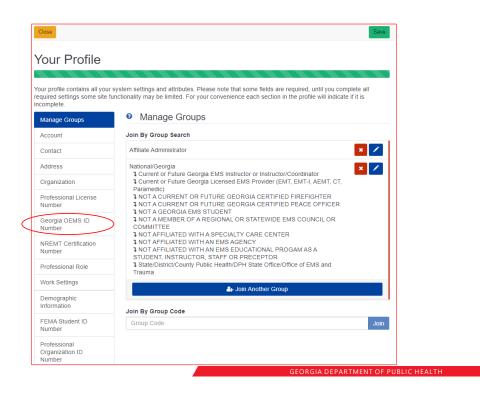
Georgia OEMS ID Number (Fields marked below are required) Please enter your Georgia OEMS ID Number: If you are a licensed Georgia medic (EMT, EMT-Intermediate, Advanced EMT, Cardiac Technician, Paramedic), this is your Georgia medic license number (e.g., P000000). If you are not a Georgia medic, but you are a Georgia licensed EMS Instructor or Instructor/Coordinator, this is your Instructor license number (e.g., I/C-A-0000). If you are not a medic or an instructor but you are a Georgia EMS student, this is the student number generated by the Office of EMS. If you do not have any of these numbers yet, just put "Pending" and you can change it once you get your license To confirm your license number (or student number), please lookup your number here (look for "Current License Georgia OEMS ID Number Continue

Update your profile



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I want to be a Course Provider Organization

- A few points...
 - o Courses must still be submitted for approval in LMS (if you want issue CEUs)
 - For interactive courses (SCORM) → you must have your own webspace (cheap \$) and authoring software (some \$\$)
 - We will have future trainings specific to being a Course Provider

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What is SCORM?

- SCORM = Shareable Content Object Reference Model
- A set of technical standards for eLearning software products.
- SCORM tells programmers how to write their code so that it can "play well" with other eLearning software. It is the de facto industry standard for eLearning interoperability. Specifically, SCORM governs how online learning content and learning management systems communicate with each other.
- SCORM does not speak to instructional design or any other pedagogical concern it is purely a technical standard.
- TRAIN is compliant with SCORM 1.2



WebSpace?

- Online storage of content
- AWS S3 Storage (5GB free for one year)
- Under \$20/month
- We need you!!
 - We will be seeking out some agencies, instructors, and initial education programs to generate content for the system.
- NOT Required if posting files or quizzes/exams on TRAIN.

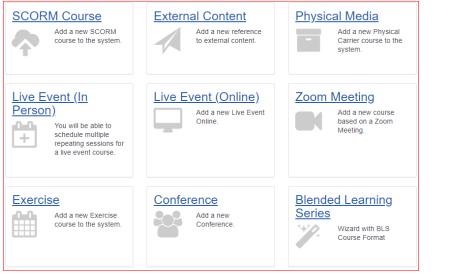
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Authoring Software

- Adobe Captivate
- Articulate Storyline
- Atomi ActivePresenter 8
- iSpring Suite
- Udutu Online Course Authoring
- Most, if not all have free trials.
- NOT Required if posting files or quizzes/exams on TRAIN.

Course Types in TRAIN



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So much more...



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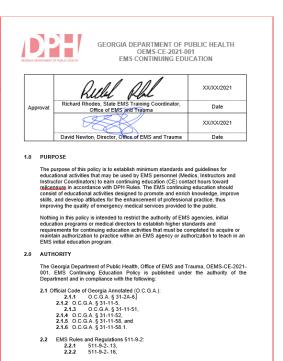
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Continuing Education Policy



We want your feedback...

• Post link to webpage for comments



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Sections of the policy document

- Purpose
- Authority
- Definitions
- Scope
- Policy
 - Type of Acceptable Continuing Education
 - o Activities Unacceptable as Continuing Education
 - Approval of Continuing Education Courses
 - Data Reporting Requirements for Course Providers of Department Approved EMS Continuing Education
 - Criteria for Acceptable Continuing Education Activity
 - o Additional Criteria for Specific Continuing Education Programs
 - Responsibilities of licensed Medics, Instructors and Instructor/Coordinators
 - Audit

Course Approval Timelines

• 5.3.4 All applications for EMS continuing education course approval must be completed through the Departments License Management System and must be submitted a minimum of ten (10) business days prior to the course start date, except for sessions conducted at a conference which must be submitted a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days prior to the conference start date.

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Timeline

Now – Fri, 4/9/2021 – Public Comment OEMS Reviews comments/suggestions from EMSEAC and publishes final policy



4/9/2021 – 4/23/2021 – Review by EMSEAC

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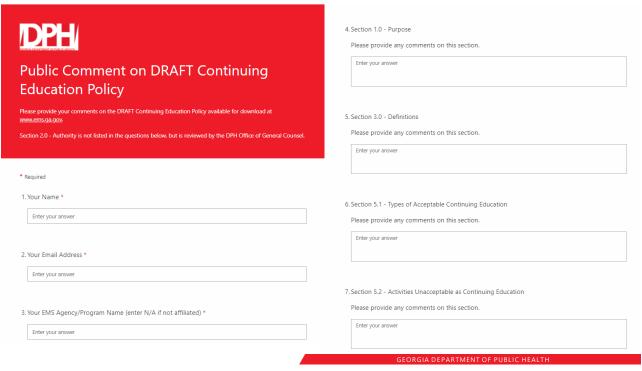
How do I provide feedback?

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Questions

Contact Information:

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Next OEMS Educational Update

• Friday, April 23rd @ 11am