

Checklist for Program Directors of LoR Programs

The following checklist is a tool to assist you, the Program Director, with tracking what is required by CoAEMSP and CAAHEP to maintain accreditation. The checklist is an internal document for a program's use. Due dates will differ for each program; therefore, the due date column is empty in many cases. You may fill in the Program's due date. Where the due date is the same for every program, such as the annual report and annual fee, the date is listed.

What	Location	Comments	Due Date
Should have in place prior to seeking Initial Accreditation...			
Establish minimums III.C.2. Establish the minimum number of patient encounters for each category, including pediatric age subgroups Endorsed by Medical Director and Advisory Committee	Appendix G/H located at www.coaemsp.org	<i>Note:</i> the minimum number of patient encounters must be 2 or more, including each of the pediatric age subgroups. The program's established minimums for patient encounters must be endorsed by the program's Medical Director (documentation of that endorsement) and the program's Advisory Committee (meeting minutes of that endorsement).	
Tracking System III.C.2. Use a detailed patient encounter tracking system	www.coaemsp.org/Evaluations.htm	Detailed patient encounter tracking system, in use for at least one entire class of students (enrollment through graduation) that will show that every student has met the minimum patient encounter numbers, in each category, as specified in Appendix G/H. Programs may create their own, adopt the sample tracking spreadsheets on www.coaemsp.org , or use a commercially available tracking tool.	
Clinical & Field Sites III.A.2. Ensure sufficient clinical and field internship resources		Ensure sufficient clinical and field internship resources necessary to provide every student with the specified number of patient encounters.	
Action Plan for not meeting minimums Develop an action plan by which students can demonstrate competence on the rare occasion where a student does not get live patient encounters		An action plan by which students can demonstrate competence on the rare occasion where a student does not get live patient encounters (e.g., high-fidelity simulation).	

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Action Plan for not meeting minimums <i>continued</i>		<i>Note:</i> the alternative method must encompass the psychomotor and affective learning domains associated with the patient encounter. In other words, a written test alone cannot substitute for a patient encounter.	
Advisory Committee II.A. & II.B. Composition and responsibilities are spelled out in the <i>Standards</i> . Evidence must exist to demonstrate that the Advisory Committee plays a substantial role with the program.	http://coaemsp.org/Evaluations.htm	The Advisory Committee must include at least 1 each of the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ students ▪ graduates ▪ faculty ▪ sponsor administration ▪ hospital/clinic representatives ▪ physicians ▪ employers ▪ police and fire ▪ services ▪ key governmental officials ▪ the public The responsibilities are to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ meet at least annually ▪ assist program and sponsor personnel in formulating and revising goals ▪ monitor needs and expectations ▪ ensure program responsiveness to change 	
Resource Assessment	III.D. http://coaemsp.org/Evaluations.htm		
Validity and Reliability of Major Exams	IV.A.1.		
Outcomes Data Collection	IV.B.1.		
Be Familiar with...			
Initial-Accreditation Self Study Report (ISSR) no later than _____. → due no later than 6 months after graduation of that class of students that was first enrolled after the date of issue of the LoR. → (CoAEMSP letter awarding Letter of Review status will have the date. If you cannot locate the letter, contact Lynn at lynn@coaemsp.org).			
CAAHEP <i>Standards</i>	www.coaemsp.org or www.caahep.org		
CoAEMSP Interpretations of the <i>Standards</i>	www.coaemsp.org		

What	Location	Comments	Due Date
CoAEMSP Policies	www.coaemsp.org		
CoAEMSP + CAAHEP websites	www.coaemsp.org and www.caahep.org		
Annually			
Annual Report	arms.caahep.org	Contact CoAEMSP for Login + Password	April 1
Annual Fee	Emailed to Billing Contact on file	Invoiced May 1	July 1
Resource Assessment	Tools available at www.coaemsp.org		
Faculty (including PD & MD)			
Students			
Advisory Committee			
Program Evaluation			
Exam Results			
Personnel Survey			
Graduate Survey			
Paramedic Employer Survey		Administer 6-12 months <u>after</u> graduation	
Advisory Committee meeting			Advisory Committee meets at least annually
Action plans		Based on results of annual report and/or resource assessment	
As Needed			
Notify CoAEMSP of Personnel Change			No later than 15 days following the effective date of replacement
Program Director	www.coaemsp.org/personnel_changes.htm	Submit personnel change form	
Medical Director			
CEO	updates@caahep.org and lynn@coaemsp.org	Name and contact information is sufficient	
Dean of health professions (or equivalent)			
Billing Contact			
Satellite Request Form	www.coaemsp.org/Accredited_Programs.htm	Adding a satellite? Deactivating a satellite campus? The CoAEMSP must be notified of all active satellite campuses.	As needed

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Due Dates	Karen
progress report, annual report, self study report	Karen
Paramedic specific content	George Gordy
Consortium agreements + sponsorship	George Gordy
Distance education	Gordy
Best practices	Gordy
Annual Reports	Lynn
User names + passwords	Lynn
Site visit scheduling	Jennifer
Accreditation Tools	Jennifer
Site Visit Findings Letter + Site Visit Report	Jennifer
Satellite Campus Approval & Deactivation	Lynn
Bachelor's degree completion program	Lynn
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Request for Accreditation Services	Ruth

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