As the EMC program graduates its 30th advanced sequence, it seems appropriate to take a moment and reflect upon our history and those who helped to get us where we are today. This edition of the EMC Advisor is dedicated to those who came before us and those who will follow.

30 Years Ahead of the Curve!

The EMC program is once again clearly operating ahead of State and National Trends. Specifically, the program is ahead by already being nationally accredited. As our readers may be well aware, the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) is the testing process for EMTs and Paramedics in Kentucky as well as throughout most of the United States. The NREMT has long required that candidates for their tests be graduates from programs that are approved by a state or territory. During the past several years, the call for an even higher standard, for emergency medical care programs to be nationally accredited, has grown. This is due in part to the adoption of a national framework presented within documents like the EMS Education Agenda for the Future and the Institute of Medicine Report “EMS at the Crossroads”.

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History of the Program

We have asked our longest serving faculty member (and resident historian), Mike Blakeney, to provide a recounting of the history of our program. For us, it is important to remember from where we have come, in order to better chart a path to our future.

This history was created with the kind assistance of Dr. David Gale, Dean Health Sciences.

1. The Program was developed during an expansion of the College of Allied Health & Nursing during the mid 1970s.
2. In 1976, Tom Hamack began the program with Dr. Delbert Fritz as the Medical Advisor. Dr. Fritz also served as the medical director for both the emergency department at Pattie A. Clay hospital and for Madison County’s then relatively new EMS system.
3. In 1977, Jimmy Cornelison joined as an EMT instructor and remains with the program.

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New Degree Option

The EMC program existed as primarily an Associate’s Degree program for decades, occasionally offering certificate classes in areas of the state in need. For the past few years, the program has grown to offer two Bachelor of Science degrees. One of these (known as the science track), was designed to prepare a student who wishes to apply for admission into medical, osteopathy or physician’s assistant schools.

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New Degree Option - continued
The second option (known as the “clinical track”), offers operations and management classes – most of which were applicable to third-service and fire-based EMS. This year, the program has received approval to offer a third option. This newest degree track is titled "Emergency Services Administration"; it will include the same core Paramedic courses found in all of our degrees (AS and BS), but will include four brand new classes related to:

- ethics
- how to teach
- finance and budget
- research

These specific topic areas were selected after consultation with the program’s advisory board and numerous current and former students. EKU remains only one of approximately fifteen academic EMS programs that offer Bachelor’s degrees. While most of these programs offer some courses similar to ours, the EKU program remains unique in its degree structure and College placement. With the move towards a national standard for accreditation of Paramedic programs, EMC program BS graduates will be in even greater demand.

New Homeland Security Course
The College of Justice and Safety now offers a Homeland Security degree. The EMC program developed one of the core courses included in that program. The course, EMC 450, is designed to cover how EMS interacts with other agencies during a disaster. Examples of lectures include, “How will EMS participate in vaccination programs?” “Will EMS be involved in body removal?” and “What are the barriers that might hamper EMS / military cooperation?”

History of the Program - continued
4. EKU became second accredited university program nationally accredited by CAHEA (the precursor to CoAEMSP) in 1980. EKU is still the only accredited Paramedic program in Kentucky.

5. The next 10 – 15 years for the program involved expansion into distance education, an increased presence at the national level and a strong connection to the local community. During this time, Mike Blakeney and Judy Cremeens joined the faculty. Ms. Cremeens served a program director for several years.

6. During the mid-1990s, several of our current faculty members joined the program: Nancye Davis, Sandy Hunter and Danny Miller.

7. In 1998, the program was administratively moved from the College of Allied Health and Nursing to the College of Law Enforcement (now known as the College of Justice and Safety). The program remains physically situated within the Dizney Building. While there are no immediate plans to relocate, long term plans include the possibility of moving into a new building to be added to the College of Justice and Safety.

8. In 2000, the program designed and applied for permission to offer two Bachelor of Science degrees.

9. In 2008, the program received permission to offer a third BS degree option.

High-Tech Manikin Purchased
The program has received financial assistance from the College of Justice Safety to purchase a METI® istan™. For readers who are unfamiliar with the system, this manikin is a wireless high fidelity patient simulator, more realistic than anything else in our training arsenal. The manikin’s responses are pre-programmed by the operator using a wirelessly connected laptop. For example, if the student is involved in a scenario of a patient who is experiencing symptomatic bradycardia and the student administers the correct dose of Atropine, the patient's heart rate will increase. This can be verified both by an increase on the heart monitor and an increase in the palpable carotid pulse (providing visual and tactile data). However, if the student fails to adequately ventilate the patient, the heart rate will automatically decrease and the "patient" will suffer.
Student Involvement & Recruitment

The program continues its efforts to make connections with kids in Kentucky's schools. A part of this effort is focused upon simply educating students about what Paramedics are and how they function. Another facet of these presentations is a sort of "early recruitment". While it obviously takes many years to know if the kindergarteners we meet will eventually consider EMS as a career, it seems like a great place to start those ideas. We have also increased our efforts to reach students in high schools from around Kentucky. Two such efforts during the previous year have been collaborations with colleagues in the College of Justice and Safety. The first of these was an invitation to have five students from a Louisville area high school to visit our facilities (see picture to the right). During the session, the students were given the chance to ask questions about EMS and to handle some of the equipment, including ventilating and attempting to intubate a manikin.

The second, and larger event, was the College's "Color of Justice" event. For this session, students were invited from across the service region (and beyond) to visit EKU, to hear stories of success from professionals working in various fields within the College (like EMS, corrections, fire and law enforcement). For this year's event, an EMC professor (Dr. Sandy Hunter) was invited to serve as the moderator. As such, Dr. Hunter introduced the speakers, served as a member of the "panel of speakers" and selected the door-prize winners. The crowd was attentive and seemed to be appreciative of the time and effort put forth by the panel. The remainder of the panel consisted of:

- Mr. Anthany Beatty, (former Lexington Police Chief and EKU alumnus) Assistant Vice President, Campus Services/Public Safety, University of Kentucky
- Ms. Cookie Crews, Warden, Kentucky Correctional Institute for Women
- Dr. Cherie Dawson-Edwards, Professor, EKU Department of Correctional & Juvenile Justice Studies
- Mr. William Swope, Assistant Chief, Lexington Fire Department

Several current EMC program students were in attendance for the morning. One graduate of the program, Mr. Anthony Higgins, was there as well. Since graduating from the program, Mr. Higgins continues work as a Paramedic (for a county EMS and a federal prison) and he has created a private company as well. As an entrepreneur, he is dedicated to advocating for EMS to young people (as seen here in the photo below) and hopes to create scholarships for students to use in pursuing an EMS degree. The students listening to his discussions about EMS heard his passion for the profession and his desire to see more young people consider it as a career.
Ahead of the Curve - continued

While some of these forward thinking documents were created under the auspices of the National Highway and Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) – EMS Division, other nationally recognized groups echoed that call to action. In fact, a great number of EMS experts and advocates have become convinced that, for EMS to grow and become more professionalized, it must mirror the standards utilized by our colleagues in Nursing and Allied Health. That is to say, EMS must require that its programs meet national standards for quality. The advantages for this move are many and include (but are not limited to), providing programs with an outside validation of their educational processes, ensuring improved safeguards for students and promoting access to better technology and academically prepared instructors as a result of affiliation with colleges and universities. For EMS, the accrediting agency we use is the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the EMS Professions (CoAEMSP). The leadership of CoAEMSP consists of representatives from a wide range of EMS and medical agencies (see list below).

National Associations Sponsoring CoAEMSP

- American Academy of Pediatrics
- American College of Cardiology
- American College of Emergency Physicians
- American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians
- American College of Surgeons
- American Society of Anesthesiologists
- National Association of EMS Educators
- National Association of EMS Physicians
- National Association of EMTs
- National Association of State EMS Officials
- National Registry of EMTs
- (source: http://www.coaemsp.org)

CoAEMSP is a part of a larger umbrella accrediting agency known as the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP). A partial list of other professions that are a part of CAAHEP includes anesthesiologist, assistant, medical assistant, and respiratory therapy.

What will Accreditation Mean?

Currently, there are approximately 250 – 300 nationally accredited paramedic programs. During 2007, a number of states began the move towards requiring that all of their Paramedic programs be accredited by CoAEMSP (prior to the announcement from the NREMT). So, what will the new policy from NREMT mean for programs?

For the EKU EMC program, nothing will change. For states that do not require accreditation, it will mean that their State EMS offices will have an incredibly well designed system to aid in their overall assurance that the programs under their control will produce safe and effective graduates. For individual programs, it will provide them with an opportunity to demonstrate their quality where such exists, and to improve upon weak areas once those are identified.

Accreditation is a process of “self-examination” and planning. A program begins the path to accreditation by obtaining the Standards and Guidelines as created by CoAEMSP. These are supported by the sponsoring organizations and CAAHEP. Essentially, these rules establish a framework to guide a program's operations. They are designed to provide a set of tests by which a program can be measured. For example, the Guidelines state (in part):

The program must have the following goal(s) defining minimum expectations:

“To prepare competent entry-level Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedics in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains,” with or without exit points at the Emergency Medical Technician-Intermediate, and/or Emergency Medical Technician-Basic, and/or First Responder levels.

Resources - Personnel

(The program must have) sufficient faculty and staff with the necessary qualifications to perform the functions identified in documented job descriptions and to achieve the program’s stated goals and outcomes.

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What Will Accreditation Mean - continued
The program director must possess a minimum of a Bachelor’s degree when he or she is the administrative head of a Paramedic program.

The Guidelines require that programs have sufficient classroom space, laboratory equipment and access to a wide variety of patients to be seen during clinicals and internship. They require that a program advertise the costs of applying for admission, completing course work and how to obtain refunds (if available). Medical Direction is specifically identified as an important element for programs.

After a program reviews the guidelines, they complete a self-assessment document measuring to what degree they meet the standards. During this time, a program will typically work to correct any inadequacies. Items of this “self-study” include questionnaires by faculty, students and the medical director. Survey items assess the quality of the teaching, the availability of opportunities for students to meet their skills competencies (i.e., the number of specific times they must demonstrate a skill on patients), the support for the program from the local medical community and even the classroom environment. For example, students are asked to describe the degree to which the classrooms are adequate; faculty members are asked about their qualifications to teach.

Self-studies are evaluated using a multi-tiered process by outside experts. Then, a team of educators (usually a physician and a paramedic) visits the campus to verify the self-study. Later, the Board for CoAEMSP votes to recommend CAAHEP accreditation. The current term for accreditation is for 5 years and may be renewed using the same process as described above.

Change of Medical Director
After seven very productive years serving as the medical director for the program, Dr. Neville Pohl has decided to step down. It is with great sadness that the program accepts his decision and we wish him well as he moves on to the next phase of his life. It would be wrong to let this moment go by without acknowledging the enormous contributions made by Dr. Pohl during his time with us. Students and faculty alike have commented that he not only served as a guide for our medical standards, he was also a strong advocate for the program. Students who had the opportunity to work with him directly in the emergency room found that he was an excellent clinician, and a dedicated teacher as well. Whether it was during these one-on-one sessions, or during the internship classroom preparations, Dr. Pohl wanted the students to benefit from his knowledge and to be prepared to treat the patients of the future. The most fortunate of us also had the chance to hear him strum a few notes on his guitar as well.

With the loss of Dr. Pohl, the program solicited interest for filling the role of Medical Director among local emergency medicine physicians throughout the community. Although there were several qualified candidates, one name stood out; Dr. Doug Smith. Dr. Smith is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati's College of Medicine. His training includes an emergency medicine residency at University of Kentucky and Flight Surgeon Training at the Naval Aerospace Medicine Institute. Dr. Smith has already participated in teaching and testing sessions with this year's students. We hope that alumni will have the opportunity to meet our newest team member.
Prom Safety Awareness Program 2008

Once again, the EMC program students have participated in a "prom safety" alcohol awareness program in collaboration with Pattie A. Clay Hospital and emergency services agencies operating in Madison County. The groups involved included Madison County EMS, Richmond Fire Department, Madison County Rescue Squad, Richmond City Police, Madison County Sheriff, Kentucky State Police and others.

As in the past, this event was designed as a mock crash scene. EMC students portrayed injured and dead victims of a drunk driver. Emergency workers treated the fictitious scene as if it was real and carried out a demonstration of a well-run crash scene. Observers had the chance to see how EMS responds to their needs; and, they were also able to see the horrible and likely consequences of being in a vehicle driven by a person who has been drinking. In order to add to the realism of the event, EMC students volunteered to dress in prom outfits purchased especially for the day. Moulage was provided by faculty member Danny Miller. As usual, his touches of "reality" definitely made the injuries look like the real thing (see pictures inserted).

National EMS News Items

Diversity Education

The Office of Minority Health, a division of the U. S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) - U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, is developing an on-line educational program designed to teach emergency responders how to better serve diverse clientele before, during and after a disaster. This product will be similar to one previously created for physicians, pharmacists, nurses and other health professionals. While some emergency responders are familiar with the federal mandates to provide language services to patients (i.e., translators and or interpreters), many are not.

In addition to simply detailing legal obligations, this interactive on-line course will lead the participants through case studies and reflection points to help EMS professionals create and or improve upon ways they care for patients from diverse backgrounds throughout the phases of a disaster. Nationally known experts from various fields of study have been involved in the project. The first draft is expected to be available during fall 2008. EKU faculty member, Dr. Hunter is a co-author for this curriculum.

( source: http://www.cdc.gov/omhd/default.htm )

New National EMS Advisory Board

The National Highway and Traffic Safety Office of EMS has announced the formation of a "National Advisory Council (NEMSAC). This new entity will serve as an advocate for EMS, other 911 response agencies and consumers as it provides advice to the NHTSA-EMS office.

( source: http://www.ems.gov/ )

Hands-Only CPR

American Heart Association revised its CPR standards as of 2005 and most readers will no doubt be aware of these changes. A recent addition to these updates is the call for "hands-only CPR" for certain situations. Complete details can be found at the American Heart Association http://circ.ahajournals.org/cgi/reprint/CIRCULATIONAHA.107.189380. Generally, for non-trained
Hands-Only CPR continued

rescuers who witness an adult collapse from a cardiac complaint, they should call 911 and request an AED, then at least provide high quality chest compressions until trained help arrives. It is worth noting that this change (or rather an acceptance) of chest compression only CPR does NOT apply to: "...unwitnessed cardiac arrest, cardiac arrest in children, or cardiac arrest presumed to be of noncardiac origin." (Note: the complete article detailing these changes can be downloaded as a free PDF file at the link noted above.)

Alumni

As a part of our celebration of 30 years of EMS education, the program asked alumni to submit updated contact information. Although we did not hear from everyone, it is clear that our graduates have been successful in a wide variety of areas. The list presented here consists of the names and email and interesting facts about the survey respondents who gave permission for their information to be published. We encourage alumni to reach out to each other and remain in contact. It is through your efforts that our program really shines and through your collective input that we learn better ways to serve our students.

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