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# Educate our way to a brighter future!

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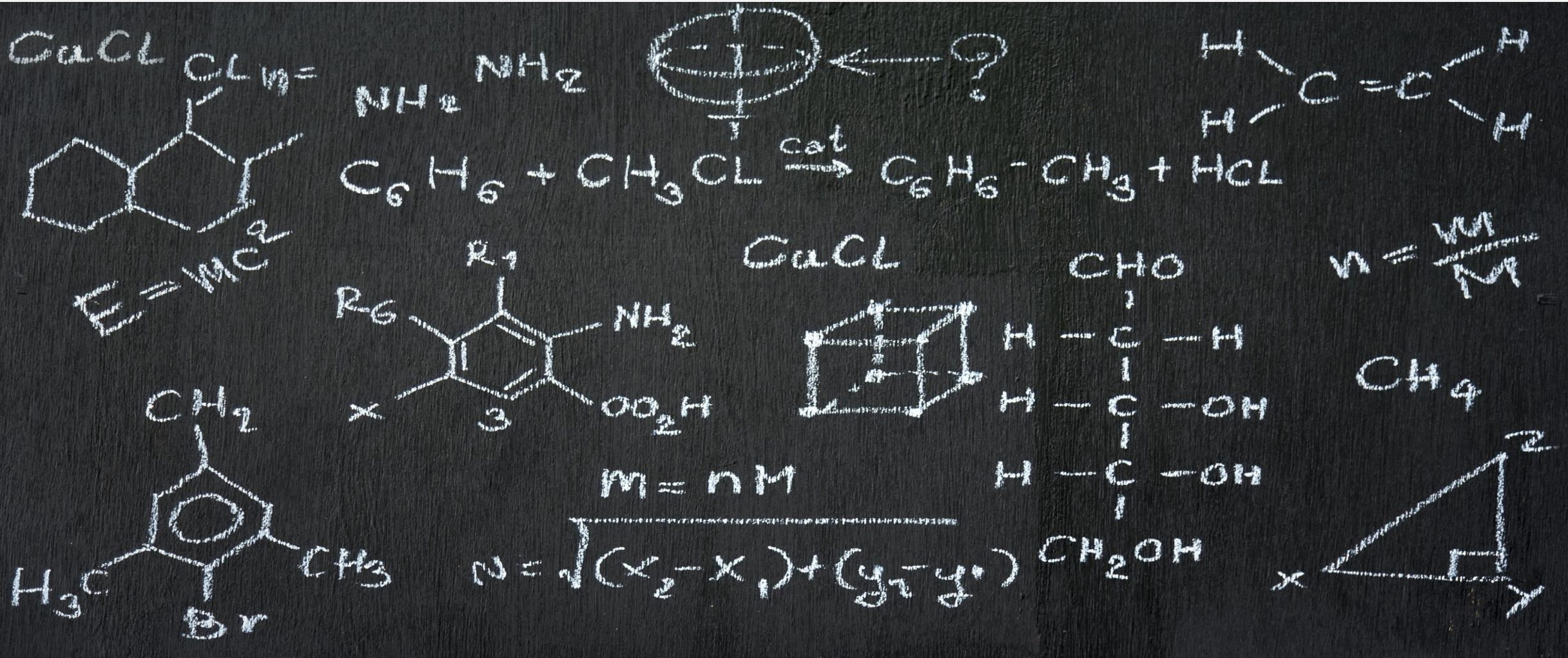
EMS Trauma System within Department of State Health Services



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# Let's talk Numbers!



# 3-1-2022 Certified Personnel in Texas

ECA- 2025

EMT  
36,437

A-EMT  
3280

Paramedic  
29018

**70,760**

As of 1-1-2022 a total of **5769**  
personnel did not renew certification



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# Current data

Advanced  
Coordinators 263

Basic Coordinators  
178

Instructors 2964

- Approved CE Programs 402
- Initial EMS Course being conducted as of 3-1-2022  
828
- Advance Initial Programs 105
- Basic Initial Programs 95

**Initial Approved Courses right now 3-3-2022**

**ECA - 47**

**EMT - 546**

**AEMT - 61**

**Paramedic -155**



# Additional Facts

- Accredited Programs  
2013 there were 75 programs  
2021 there is 59 programs
- Initial Certified Paramedics  
2013 there was 1625  
2021 there was 1902
- 2007 TX 1<sup>st</sup> time pass rate 53%
- 2007 final TX pass rate 80%
- 2007 Nationally 1st time pass rate 61%
- 2007 final Nationally pass rate 84%

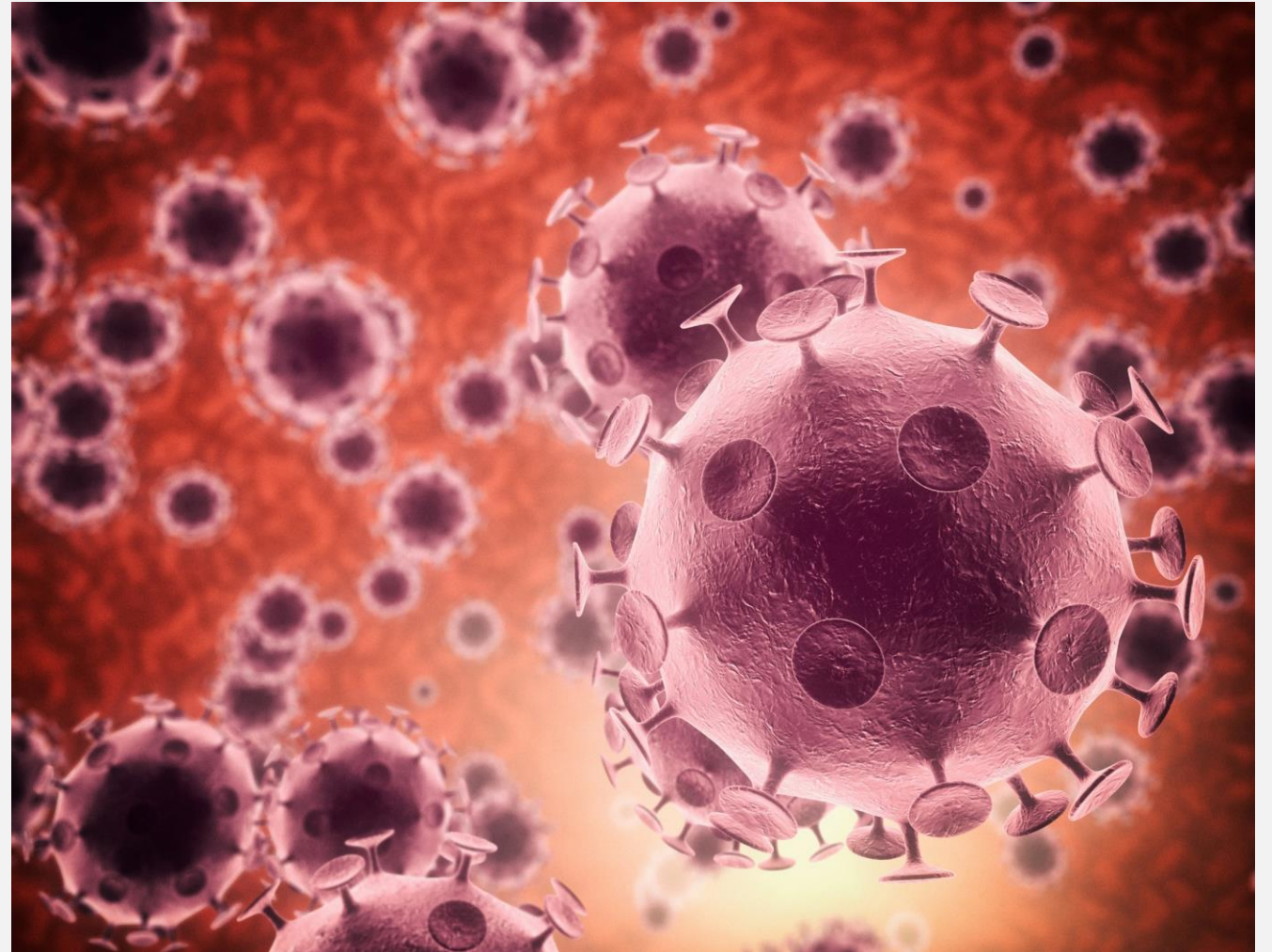


# Final slide with numbers

- 2022 TX 1st time pass rate 68%
- 2022 final TX pass rate 83%
- 2022 Nationally 1st time pass rate 71%
- 2022 final Nationally pass rate 83%
- EMS Providers in Texas 745
- First Responder Organizations 576
- Respond to 4.5 million dispatches annually
- 8.5 dispatches every minute of the day in Texas

# Impact of COVID

- **R**ecruitment
- **R**etention
- **R**eimbursement
- **R**ecognition
- **R**elationships



## Currently in place

- Waiver to staffing of ambulance until 8-28-2022
- Students can do their field clinicals in hospitals, ambulance, any place where they can touch a live patients as long it is approved by the EMS Education program Medical Director
- Vaccination requirements for students is up to the EMS Education Program
- Most RAC PPE supply centers are closing or already closed, if you cannot get PPE you will need to put in a STAR request with documentation

# Policy 2022-A

## EMS Education Programs –out of state **courses**

(clinical/field and skills proficiency)

- Documentation from the out of state EMS Office acknowledging/approving the program and/or course to be conducted clinical and field internships to include ride-a-long where EMS skills will be performed by the student in their respective state.
- Documentation from the out of state EMS agency and the clinical setting medical director regarding oversight in the clinical/field setting.
- Clinical and Field agreements for all out of state locations.
- Documentation from the education program's (TX) medical director regarding responsibilities and oversight for out of state courses.
- Facility/equipment agreement(s) and/or explanation of how equipment is provided for skills proficiency training and testing (if applicable).
- Quality Improvement/Assurance Plan that explains how the education program will continuously monitor all students while conducting clinical/field rotations outside of Texas.

# Policy 2022 A continues

## Self-study update to include:

- Grievance/Complaint Resolution Plan outlining the process to file, investigate and administer disciplinary action as it relates to out of state courses and students.
- Preceptor Training Program that includes required training and accountability for out of state preceptors associated with the program.
- Education program should research with their own legal counsel any liability issues by conducting courses or allowing hospital and ambulance internships to be conducted in another state.



# Policy 2022 - A

Paramedic programs with CAAHEP accreditation or under a letter of review from CoAEMSP have met this policy if the paramedic out of state course is accepted by CAAHEP/CoAEMSP. These programs must submit the appropriate documentation for other levels of courses not covered by accreditation such as emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician and advanced emergency medical technician.



# SB 8 Recruitment and Retention

- Media Campaign
- EMS Website for Recruitment
- Contract workforce placement staff in RACs
- Education Programs incentives
- 12.5 million dollars for education grants



# Texas EMS Educators Summit

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Corpus Christi, TX

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# Thank you!

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