



Graduate Paramedic **CONCEPT DRAFT**

**Proposed program for
DISCUSSION ONLY.**

Proposal



ECA



EMT



AEMT



Probationary P



Paramedic

ECA

- 60-hour course
- First Responder
- Basic First Aid
- Can staff ambulance in TX

EMT

- 150-hour course
- Completed Course
- Passed psychomotor and NR comprehensive
- Eligible to work independently upon hire and credentialing

AEMT

- 250-hour course
- Completed Course
- Passed psychomotor and NR comprehensive
- Eligible to work independently upon hire and credentialing

Probationary Paramedic:

- Completed classroom lectures
- Completed hospital clinicals
- Passed individual psychomotor skills
- Hired by Provider to complete internship portfolio during field training

Paramedic

- Completed & Passed NR Psychomotor and Comprehensive
- Eligible to work independently upon hire and credentialing

How would it work?

- EMT or AEMT student enters Paramedic school
- Upon completion of “classroom” time and other clinical rotations, student could take psychomotor skills final exam to test individual skills and pass course final exam
- Apply and obtain employment with EMS Provider
- On-boarding FTO program becomes internship, appendix G portfolio is completed during this phase?

Probationary Paramedic Pros:

Shortens Paramedic class time

Allows for employer to “train”
Paramedics to their standard

Invites EMS Provider Medical
Director to have more influence
in initial training of provider

Encourages providers to enhance
on-boarding training programs

Probationary Paramedic Cons:

- Cost?

Concerns:

- Time in class before touching patients?
- Transitions from EMS Education Program Medical Director to primary responsibility of EMS Provider Medical Director
- Legal & Liability issues with staffing 3 to 2 (1:1 training)
- Who is responsible for tracking student in internship?
- Credentialing stopped by EMS Provider, what happens to student?