



## *HLC Accreditation Evidence*

Title: Accreditation: Emergency Medical Services – Paramedic Program

URL:

Office of Origin: Vice President of Instruction

Contacts:

- Director of Emergency Medical Services



September 19, 2016

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Dear Dr. Heilman:

The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) is pleased to inform you of its vote on **September 16, 2016** to award **continuing accreditation** to the Emergency Medical Services - Paramedic program at Barton County Community College, Great Bend, KS.

The recent peer review conducted by the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoA EMSP) and CAAHEP's Board of Directors recognizes the program's substantial compliance with the nationally established accreditation Standards. The next comprehensive evaluation of the program, including an on-site review, is scheduled to occur no later than **2021**.

The CoA EMSP will regularly monitor the program's compliance with the outcomes assessment thresholds through the program's Annual Report as well as other documentation that may be requested (Standard IV.B.).

The following citations merit your institution's attention and resolution in order to strengthen the program's compliance with the Standards (for a complete copy of the Standards, check the CAAHEP website at [www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org), or call the office at 727-210-2350):

**2005 Standards**

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**2015 Standards effective January 1, 2016**

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Rationale: The Advisory Committee is missing a governmental and a public member.

Post Site Visit Response: The Program did not provide evidence of a graduate as a representative on the Advisory Committee.