

## **Policy on Publishing Paramedic Graduate Outcomes**

### **Purpose**

This policy is established to ensure that the Southwest Florida Public Service Academy (SWFPSA) Paramedic Program meets the accreditation requirements of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP) regarding the publication of program outcomes. The purpose of this policy is to promote transparency and accountability by making program outcomes accessible to the public.

### **Scope**

This policy applies to all graduate outcomes for the Paramedic Program at SWFPSA, as required by CoAEMSP accreditation standards. The outcomes must be regularly updated on the official program website to reflect the program's performance in key areas.

### **Policy Statement**

The SWFPSA Paramedic Program shall publish, at a minimum, the following outcomes on the program's official website in accordance with CoAEMSP Standard V.A.4:

1. **Retention Rate**  
The percentage of students who successfully complete the Paramedic Program within the scheduled timeframe.
2. **National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) or State Credentialing Exam Pass Rate**  
The percentage of graduates who pass the NREMT Paramedic Certification exam or equivalent state licensure exam on the first attempt.
3. **Positive Placement Rate**  
The percentage of program graduates who gain employment or are placed in a related field, including positions as paramedics, or who continue their education within six months of graduation. "Positive placement" includes employment as a paramedic, continuing education, or service in the military.

### **Procedures for Publishing Outcomes**

1. Program outcomes will be collected, reviewed, and updated annually based on data from the previous academic year.
2. The Paramedic Program Coordinator will be responsible for compiling the data and ensuring its accuracy.
3. Outcomes will be posted on the program's official website by September 1st of each year, reflecting the prior year's results.
4. The Program Coordinator, in collaboration with the Public Relations Department, will ensure the outcomes are presented in a clear and accessible format.
5. Updates or corrections to the published outcomes will be made promptly if discrepancies or additional data arise.

### **Review and Revision of Policy**

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure continued compliance with CoAEMSP standards and updated as needed to reflect changes in accreditation requirements or institutional practices.

### **List of CoAEMSP-Required Graduate Outcomes to be Published**

1. **Retention Rate**
2. **NREMT or State Credentialing Exam Pass Rate (First-Attempt)**
3. **Positive Placement Rate**