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Impacts of COVID-19 on the EMS Educational Systems

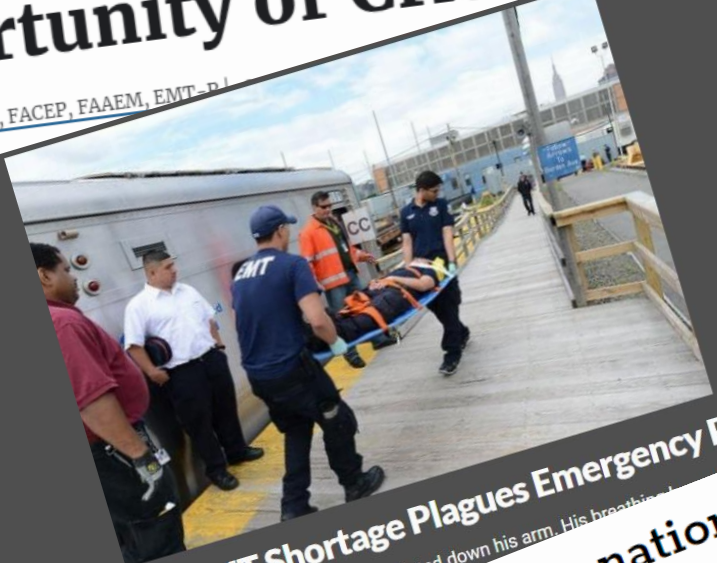
CELEBRATING 50 YEARS AS THE NATIONS EMS CERTIFICATION



EMS Workforce Pre-COVID-19

The Paramedic Shortage — Opportunity or Crisis?

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Nationwide EMT Shortage Plagues Emergency Providers

Shortly after dinner with his wife, a man began having chest pains that radiated down his arm. His breathing...

Ambulance services face national paramedic shortage

Counties, universities, and private companies are working together to reach out to school and college students about the industry and offer training programs

NBC News Article Highlights Shrinking Availability of EMS in U.S. Communities
Oct 23, 2019

Kettering Mobile Care offering tuition & wages for EMT students

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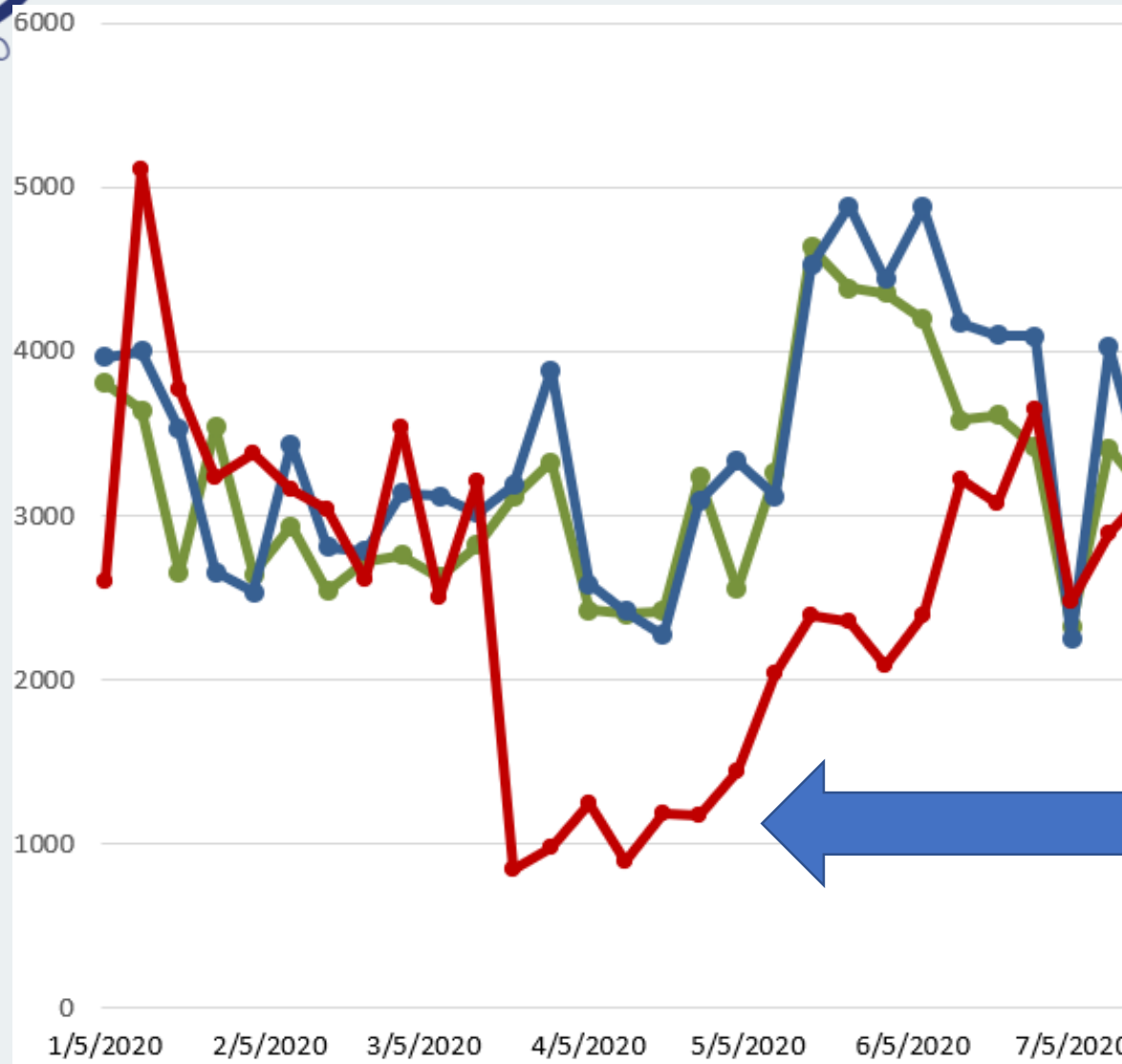
KETTERING, Ohio (WKEF/ WRGT)- The health care industry is seeing an EMT shortage across the country.

What if you call 911 and no one comes?

Inside the collapse of America's emergency medical services.



COVID-19 and EMS Testing



2018 - 2020 Exams Delivered By Week

2018 2019 2020



Impacts of COVID-19 on EMS Educational Systems

- Immediate:
 - Drop in EMS professionals entering workforce during pandemic
 - Shut-down of EMS educational programs
 - No clinical/field internship experiences
- Long-term:
 - Diminished volume of new EMTs and Paramedics entering workforce



Timeline of Responses from National Registry

- 3/13: Board extends recertification expiration date from 3/31 till 6/30
- 3/16: Pearson VUE shuts down testing network
 - Weekly calls with State EMS officials
- 3/19: Board implements provisional certification; access to testing centers opened to essential healthcare workers (EMTs & nurses)
 - Weekly calls with EMS partners
- 3/30: Psychomotor examination with social distancing
- 4/12: Online proctoring of EMT and AEMT cognitive examinations



Questions?