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RE: A Letter of Accreditation Regarding the Emergency Care & Safety Institute (ECSI)

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Emergency Care & Safety Institute (ECSI) is a recognized international provider of emergency care and safety training, with thousands of Education Centers and instructors worldwide. ECSI is the only training organization with an exclusive relationship with both the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS) and the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP), both of whom serve as the authoring medical bodies and endorsement for ECSI.

The AAOS has a long history of providing training programs and materials to emergency medical responders, which began in 1971 with the publication of *Emergency Care and Transportation of the Sick and Injured*, the nation's first textbook for emergency medical technicians (EMTs). Today, this book is in its Tenth Edition and continues to prepare EMTs for their vital job.

ACEP, founded in 1968, is the world's oldest and largest emergency medicine specialty organization, recognized as the leader in emergency medicine. ACEP provides medical review and direction for all levels of ECSI programs, from lay person to health care professionals.

Both AAOS and ACEP provide input into the process of setting national guidelines, such as those published by the American Heart Association.

The medical content in all ECSI courses is consistent with the latest CPR, AED and first aid guidelines. All ECSI courses are updated to reflect the **2015 ILCOR Consensus Guidelines for CPR and ECC**. All ECSI courses meet or exceed the medical objectives of similar training programs, such as those released by the American Heart Association.

AAOS and ACEP believe the quality of ECSI training programs and materials is unrivaled, and stand behind ECSI as an organization and its important mission of make lifesaving skills training accessible and affordable to as wide a population as possible.

Respectfully,

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