RESOLUTION on Updated Terms of Certification
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WHEREAS, the policies of the National Registry of EMTs provide essential rules that specify roles and responsibilities of the National Registry, applicants, candidates and registrants; and

WHEREAS, the Terms of Certification Policy specifies essential requirements for National Registry certification and interface with licensure processes that authorize practice of EMS professionals; and

WHEREAS, updates to the Terms of Certification Policy are needed to simplify language, update legal phrasing and address inconsistencies in terminology; and

WHEREAS, updates to the Terms of Certification Policy are needed to address conflicts between certification and licensure actions such as differing determinations between different authorizing jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, updates to the Terms of Certification Policy are needed to implement previous Board resolutions on changes to the evaluation of criminal convictions that are to be implemented between June 2023 and June 2024, and

WHEREAS, the Board desires the policies of the National Registry of EMTs to protect in the integrity of the certification, comply with applicable legal requirements, comport with standard practices of the certification industry and respond effectively to current issues or demands facing the National Registry.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Executive Director is authorized to modify the Terms of Certification policy with the appropriate input of stakeholders and subject matter experts and that this authorization is subject to the following parameters:

- The policy should require eligibility for state licensure and other jurisdictional authorization to practice as a requirement for continued certification.
- The policy should differentiate between administrative licensure issues from issues necessary to protect the public.
- The policy should allow certification in cases in which denial of certification may not be appropriate based on recency, relevance to public protection or conflicts between jurisdictions.
- Future updates should implement the evolving changes to the evaluation of criminal convictions that are to be implemented between June 2023 and June 2024.
- The policy should protect the integrity of the certification by including elements related to accurate completion of applications and updated information to the National Registry, use of National Registry identification by registrants, protection of National Registry property and information security, and allow appropriate actions on certification to effectively resolve public protection concerns.