

EDUCATION & TRAINING

<p>December 2011</p>	<p><u>New applicant Recognised Institutions</u></p> <p>Resolutions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Council approves Munster Medics recognition of institution and CFR-Community Course (b) Council approves Qualtec recognition of institution and courses; CFR Community and CFR Instructor. (c) Council approves Safety Ireland First Response Ltd., recognition of institution and CFR Community Course. <p><u>Existing Recognised Institutions Course approvals</u></p> <p>Resolutions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Council approves Heartsafety Solutions: CFR-Advanced and CFR Instructor –Advanced (b) Council approves Medicall: 3rd Edition CPG programme (c) Council approves DFB/RCSI: 3rd Edition CPG programme (d) Council approves Irish Ambulance Training Institute: 3rd Edition CPG programme.
<p>Nov 2011</p>	<p>Council approves funding to maximum of €15,000 for the High Fidelity Simulation Training Pilot Project for Advanced Paramedics and Paramedics.</p>
<p>Oct 2011</p>	<p>(a) Council approves the revision of Council rule 43 to read '<i>Successful completion of a CFR course within one calendar year of commencing the EFR course is a pre-requisite entry criterion</i>'.</p> <p>(b) Council approves the revision of Council rule 107 from three years to two years as criterion registered paramedic in Ireland or member state for entry onto Advanced Paramedic Course.</p>
<p>Sep 2011</p>	<p>Council approves amending the term from 3 years to 2 years for experienced and qualified personnel to apply for the Advanced Paramedic Programme subject to approval by the Accreditation Committee.</p>

	<p>Council approves the draft Transport Medicine submission in principle.</p>
<p>April 2011</p>	<p>Council approves the NASC application for CPG 3, Paramedic upskilling programme.</p>
<p>March 2011</p>	<p>Council approves the Professional Code of Conduct and Ethics subject to change of the term EMC to EMS and also subject to review after 12 months of implementation.</p> <p>Council approves the Policy for Recognition of Institution and Courses.</p> <p>Council approves the Council Rules for Recognition of Institution and Course(s).</p> <p>Council approves Connaught First Aid Solutions as a Recognised Institution.</p> <p>Council approves the re-wording of the EMS Priority Dispatch Standard.</p> <p>Council approves the Inter Facility Patient Transfer Standard version 2.</p> <p>Council approves the Revised Examination Quality Committee Terms of Reference.</p> <p>Council approves that UCD Registration Fees for the AP Programme will only be paid for candidates whose applications are received by the due date.</p>
<p>December 2010</p>	<p>Council approves Policy for the Assessment of Equivalence of Professional Qualifications obtained outside the State.</p> <p>Council approves Policy for the Assessment of Equivalence of Professional Qualifications obtained in Ireland.</p> <p>Council approves the EMC (call taker and dispatcher level) standards and approves the CFR, EFR, EMT, Paramedic and Advanced Paramedic standards subject to minor technical amendments made by the Medical Advisory Group (MAG).</p> <p>Council approves funding of €49,000 for the development of the CFR 2011 Standards (community and advanced levels), with provision of a further €16,000 subject to satisfactory arrangements being agreed regarding the e-learning package.</p> <p>Council approves DAA Fire & Rescue Services at Dublin Airport: Recognition of Institution and Course: Emergency First Response (EFR).</p>

	<p>Council approves Heartsafety Solutions: Recognition of Course: Cardiac First Response (CFR) – Instructor.</p> <p>Council approves Dx2 Training Solutions Limited for recognition of course: Cardiac First Response (CFR) – Instructor.</p> <p>Council approves Irish Ambulance Training Institute for recognition of course: Emergency First Response (EFR) – Instructor.</p>
September 2010	<p>Council approves Institute of Advanced Motorists of Ireland (IAMI); Recognition of Institution and Courses: Driving (Non Emergency and Advanced Driving) levels</p> <p>Council approves DX2 Training Solutions Ltd.; Recognition of Institution and Courses: Cardiac First Response -Responder and Practitioner levels</p> <p>Council approves City of Dublin Vocational Education Committee (CDVEC); Recognition of Courses: Cardiac First Response- Instructor level</p> <p>Council approves Sinnott Training and Certification (STAC) Ltd.; Recognition of Course: Cardiac First Response- Practitioner level</p> <p>Council approves Irish Red Cross; Recognition of Courses: Cardiac First Response- Instructor Level</p> <p>Council approves DFB/RCSI; Recognition of Courses: Driving (Non Emergency and Advanced Driving, subject to the requirements of the Accreditation Committee being met.</p>
June 2010	<p>Council approves Alpha Training Limited; Recognition of Institution and Courses: Cardiac First Response -Responder level and Emergency First Response (EFR)</p> <p>Council approves Respond Training; Recognition of Institution and Courses: Cardiac First Response -Responder and Practitioner levels</p> <p>Council approves SR Safety & Environmental Services; Recognition of Institution and Course: Cardiac First Response- Responder level</p> <p>Council approves Defence Forces; Recognition of Courses: Cardiac First Response- Responder and Practitioner levels</p> <p>Council approves ESTI; Recognition of Course: Cardiac First Response- Practitioner level</p> <p>Council approves Heartbeat Safety Limited; Recognition of Courses: Emergency First Response (EFR) Responder and EFR Instructor</p>

<p>March 2010</p>	<p>Council approves the Joint NASC/ UCD and DFB/RCSI AP Upskilling (Part 1) Programme.</p> <p>Council approves the Responder level Examination Handout (1st Edition)</p> <p>Council approves the application from Operative Training Services Ltd. for approval of Course Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder Instructor level.</p> <p>Council approves the application from Cork College of Commerce for approval of Courses, Cardiac First Response (CFR), Responder and CFR Responder Instructor level.</p> <p>Council approves Sionnach Fire & Safety Ltd., Recognition of Institution at NQEMT level and approval of Course; Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)</p>
<p>February 2010</p>	<p>Council approves the application from Firstaider.ie for Recognition of Institution and Course CFR Responder level.</p> <p>This approval is conditional on Firstaider avoiding the use of the brand name EFR in promotional material and where it is used to make explicit that it is not the PHECC Standard or course in Emergency First Response.</p>
<p>December 2009</p>	<p>Council approves the proposed Quality Evaluation Report Template for implementation.</p> <p>Council approves Cork College of Commerce as a Recognised of Institution.</p> <p>Council approves: Dublin City University (DCU): Recognition of Institution and Courses: Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder, Practitioner and Emergency First Response (EFR).</p> <p>Council approves: Operative Training Services Ltd. (OTS Ltd.): Recognition of Institution and Courses: Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder, Practitioner and Emergency First Response (EFR).</p> <p>Council approves: Academy of Emergency Care (ED-CUH) AECS: Recognition of Courses: Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder, Practitioner and Instructor, Emergency First Response (EFR) and Emergency First Response (EFR) Instructor.</p> <p>Council approves: Civil Defence: Recognition of Courses: Emergency Medical Technician (EMT).</p> <p>Council approves: Emergency Care: Recognition of Courses: Emergency First Response (EFR).</p> <p>Council approves: St John Ambulance Brigade of Ireland: Recognition of Courses: Emergency Medical Technician (EMT).</p>

November 2009	<p>Council approves funding of €1,110,742.00 for the Advanced Paramedic Programme 2010/2011 and funding of €265,000 for potential registration fees, subject to funding being available.</p> <p>Council approves funding of up to €40,000 for the refining and completion of the draft Responder, EMT, Paramedic and Advanced Paramedic standards, and the faculty development process.</p>
October 2009	That Council approves funding of €113,724 for the ICT Educational Initiative
September 2009	<p>Council approves the Update Report regarding Council Rules for PHECC approved Tutors/Educators/Facilitators and Instructors</p> <p>Council approves: Alpha Aid Training: Recognition of Institution and Courses: Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder level</p> <p>Council approves: Irish Wheelchair Association: Recognition of Institution and Courses: Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder level</p> <p>Council approves: Medcore Medical Services Ltd: Recognition of Institution and Courses: Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder level</p> <p>Council approves: UCD Centre for Immediate Care Services: Recognition of Institution and Courses: Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder, Practitioner and Instructor level</p> <p>Council approves: National Safety Centre: Course Approval for Emergency First Response (EFR)</p>
June 2009	<p>Council approves: Beecher Konig & Associates – Recognition of Course: Cardiac First Response (CFR) Instructor</p> <p>Council approves: City of Dublin VEC – Recognition of Institution and Course Approval: Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder</p> <p>Council approves: Heartsafety Solutions – Recognition of Institution and Course Approval– Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder</p> <p>Council approves: Irish Red Cross – Recognition of Course: Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)</p> <p>Council approves: Irish Underwater Council (CFT) – Recognition of Institution and Course – Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder and Instructor</p>

	<p>Council approves: JMC Health & Safety T/A National Safety Centre – Recognition of Course – Cardiac First Response (CFR) Practitioner</p> <p>Council approves: MAR Consultants Ltd T/A Advance Drive – Approval of Course – Non-Emergency Driving Course</p> <p>Council approves: Medical Ambulance Service –Course Approval – Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)</p> <p>Council approves: Sinnott Training & Certification Ltd – Recognition of Institution and Course Approval – Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder</p> <p>Council approves: Sunbeam House Services – Recognition of Institution and Course Approval – Cardiac First Response (CFR) Responder</p>
May 2009	<p>Council approves the allocation of funds for the further development of the new standards: Practitioner (up to €10,000), OFA (up to €10,000) and Medical Practitioner (up to €10,000) levels.</p>
March 2009	<p>Council approves Emergency Department, Cork University Hospital (incl. The Academy of Emergency Care in Sport) as a recognised institution</p>
February 2009	<p>Council approves: Order of Malta: Recognition of Course: Emergency First Response - Instructor level subject to approval by the Accreditation Committee.</p>
December 2008	<p>That Council approves: Order of Malta Ireland: Recognition of Course: Emergency Medical Technician subject to approval by the Accreditation Committee.</p> <p>That Council approves: Sionnach Fire & Safety Training Ltd: Recognition of Institution and Courses: Cardiac First Response Responder and Emergency First Response subject to approval by the Accreditation Committee.</p> <p>That Council approves: St. John Ambulance Brigade: Recognition of Courses: Cardiac First Response- Responder, Practitioner and Instructor subject to approval by the Accreditation Committee.</p> <p>That Council approves: Academy of Emergency Medical Education: Recognition of Institution and Courses: Cardiac First Response, Responder and Practitioner and Emergency First Response subject to approval by the Accreditation Committee.</p> <p>That Council approves: Heartbeat Safety: Recognition of Institution and Courses: Cardiac First Response, Responder, Practitioner and Instructor subject to approval by the Accreditation Committee.</p>

	<p>That Council approves: JMC Health & Safety: Recognition of Institution and Course: Cardiac First Response – Instructor subject to approval by the Accreditation Committee.</p> <p>That Council approves: MAR Consultants Ltd, T/A Advancedrive: Recognition of Institution and Course: Advanced Driver Programme for Drivers of Emergency Response Vehicles subject to approval by the Accreditation Committee.</p>
<p>October 2008</p>	<p>That PHECC organise and co-ordinate refresher CFR/AED upskilling for OFA Instructors on a regional basis.</p> <p>That Council approve that CFR Practitioner Courses can be delivered by CFR Instructors who are not necessarily registered health professionals.</p> <p>That Council approves the recognition of course for the Civil Defence College(EFR Course) and NASC/UCD (Module for Thrombolysis)</p>
<p>September 2008</p>	<p>That Council approve in principle; NASC/UCD; Recognition of Course: Advanced Paramedic Upskilling Module (Thrombolysis) subject to approval from the Chairs of Council, MAG, Accreditation, and Clinical Care Committee along with the Director.</p> <p>That Council approve in principle; Civil Defence College; Recognition of Course; EFR subject to approval from the Chairs of Council, MAG, Accreditation, and Clinical Care Committee along with the Director.</p> <p>That Council approve; IATI; <i>CFR Responder and Practitioner – Instructor Course</i></p> <p>That Council approve; Emergency Care; Recognition of Course: <i>CFR Responder and Practitioner – Instructor Course</i></p> <p>That Council refer; MAR Consultants Ltd, T/A Advancedrive; Recognition of Institution & Course: Driving to the Accreditation Committee for review.</p> <p>That Council approve DFB/RCSI <i>Recognition of Course: EMT</i></p> <p>That Council approve roll out and funding of €200,000 for upskilling as proposed.</p>
<p>June 2008</p>	<p>That Council approves St. John Ambulance Brigade of Ireland as a recognised institution.</p> <p>That Council approves a working definition of “professional” experience for the</p>

	<p>purposes of Council Policy for Assessment of Equivalence of professional qualifications in pre-hospital emergency care obtained outside the State; “professional experience” to mean:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – within Ireland: experience obtained at a recognised training site of a recognised training institution – outside Ireland; within EU: postgraduate experience recognised by the appropriate competent body; – outside EU: postgraduate experience as a registered emergency care practitioner
<p>May 2008</p>	<p>That Council approves the funding for the Distance Learning Proposal subject to</p> <p>(1) the approval of the draft AP Standard at the next Council meeting</p> <p>(2) the consultants(s) contracted by NASC/UCD have expertise, to PHECC’s satisfaction, in developing distance education material.</p> <p>That Council approves funding of up to €20,000 for Dr. Hemal Thakore to develop a working draft of the 2010 Education and Training Standards starting with the Paramedic standard.</p> <p>That Council approves the Irish Red Cross EFR Course.</p> <p>That Council approves the Civil Defence CFR Instructor Course.</p>
<p>April 2008</p>	<p>That Council approves the NASC/UCD Paramedic Course.</p> <p>That Council approves the Civil Defence College CFR (Responder and Practitioner) Courses.</p> <p>That Council approves the Irish Red Cross as a Recognised Institution and CFR (Practitioner and Responder level) Courses.</p> <p>That Council approves Defence Forces, Medical Corps School as a Recognised Institution at Responder Level.</p> <p>That Council approves the Order of Malta CFR Instructor Course.</p>

	<p>That Council approves the Irish Ambulance Training Institute EMT Course.</p> <p>That Council approves the draft National Prehospital Research Strategy subject to amendments.</p>
March 2008	That Council approve the Revised Council Policy: Assessment of Qualifications in Ireland.
February 2008	<p>That Council approves the CQI Framework to assist in the implementation of the 2007 Education & Training Standards.</p> <p>That Council approves the applications from NASC/UCD for Institutional Recognition and Paramedic CPD (Upskilling) Modules.</p> <p>That Council approves the Advanced Driving Course from Irish Ambulance Training Institute.</p>
December 2007	<p>That Council approves the revised Policy for Assessment of Qualifications Obtained Outside the State.</p> <p>That Council approves the use of a 'Red Card' to assist communications between Responders and Ambulance Control Centres.</p> <p>That Council approves EMSTAR as a Recognised Institution and approves the Driving Course.</p> <p>That Council approves Beecher Konig Associated Ltd., as a Recognised Institution and approves the CFR Upskilling Course for Occupational First Aid Instructors.</p> <p>That Council approves Emergency Care Group Ltd., as a Recognised Institution and approves the CFR Upskilling Course for Occupational First Aid Instructors.</p> <p>That Council approves the Civil Defence Board as a Recognised Institution at Responder level.</p> <p>That Council approves The Order of Malta as a Recognised Institution and approves the CFR and EFR Courses.</p> <p>That Council approves the Irish Ambulance Training Institute as a Recognised Institution and approves the CFR (Responder & Practitioner), EFR and Driving (non emergency) Courses.</p>
November 2007	That Council approve the Assessment of Qualifications Obtained Outside the State Policy subject to minor change in paragraph 11 and development of a process for recognition of equivalence of AP qualification being finalised for subsequent Council approval and included hereafter in the original policy.

	<p>That Council delegates responsibility to the Registrar for the awarding of the NQEMT to individuals who successfully undergo the Assessment of Qualifications Process subject to ratification at a subsequent Council meeting.</p>
<p>September 2007</p>	<p>That Council approves DFB/RCSI's Emergency First Response course subject to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - satisfactory completion of the areas outlined. <p>That Council approves NASC's Cardiac First Response Instructor course subject to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - satisfactory completion of the areas outlined. <p>That Council approves NASC's Emergency First Response Instructor course subject to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - satisfactory completion of the areas outlined. <p>That Council approve in principle the draft revised Council Policy on the Assessment of Qualifications Obtained Outside the State subject to clarifications and amendments as outlined.</p>
<p>July 2007</p>	<p>That Council approves DFB/RCSI as a Recognised Institution – subject to satisfactory completion of issues outlined.</p> <p>That Council approves DFB/RCSI's Paramedic Course – subject to satisfactory completion of issues outlined.</p> <p>That Council approves DFB/RCSI's CFR courses (Instructor, Responder and Practitioner levels) - subject to satisfactory completion of issues outlined.</p> <p>That Council approves DFB/RCSI's four CPD modules (Advanced Airway Management, Pharmacology, Intravenous Therapy and Intramuscular Injection) – subject to satisfactory completion of issues outlined.</p> <p>That Council approves NASC as a Recognised Institution – subject to satisfactory completion of issues outlined.</p> <p>That Council approves NASC's EMT course – subject to satisfactory completion of issues outlined.</p> <p>That Council approves NASC's Driving Course – subject to satisfactory completion of issues outlined.</p> <p>That Council approves NASC's CFR; Responder and Practitioner Course – subject</p>

	<p>to satisfactory completion of issues outlined.</p> <p>That Council approves NASC's EFR course – subject to satisfactory completion of issues outlined.</p>
May 2007	That approves that the Chair of Council and the Chair of the Accreditation Committee may jointly recognise Training Institution(s) and approve Course(s) on an interim basis subject to ratification at the next Accreditation Committee meeting and subsequent Council meeting.
April 2007	That Council approve the CFR Course as submitted by DFB/RCSI.
December 2006	That the recommendations of the Accreditation Committee be approved.
November 2006	<p>That the recommendations of the Accreditation Committee for the CFR & EFR Standards be approved i.e.</p> <p>(i) Council approves the Cardiac First Responder Standard</p> <p>Note: The healthcare practitioners/professional level is to be closely monitored because of concern raised.</p> <p>(ii) Council approves the Emergency First Responder Standard</p> <p>Note: EFR assessment is to be closely monitored because of concern raised.</p>
September 2006	In future wherever feasible PHECC should advise timelines and deadlines for Standards implementation.
April 2006	<p>That Council approves the variation in the context of a transitional process subject to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a defined time limit - to coincide with the approval / implementation of the new Standards currently in draft under consultation.
February 2006	Council approves that the Training Institutions henceforth amend their course titles from "EMT" to Paramedic and from "EMT-A" to Advanced Paramedic.
November 2005	Council approves in principle expenditure of €250,000 towards training of Advanced Paramedics subject to contractual items being agreed and sufficient funds being available from the DoHC allocation.
October 2005	<p>(1) That Council recognise DFB/RCSI as a training institution.</p> <p>(2) That Council approves the planned New Entrant and Conversion Courses to be run by DFB/RCSI.</p>

September 2005	That Council approves the implementation of the Cardiac First Responder Standard on a trial basis in the statutory ambulance services.
July 2005	That the Director takes into account the NATS/UCD Report and progresses the implementation of the recommendations in the EMT-A/Advanced Paramedic Evaluation Report within the funding agreement for the developmental courses. That DFB/RCSI is supported in principle to develop an EMT-A/Advanced Paramedic Programme subject to a formal proposal outlining timeframes and costs being submitted to Council.
May 2005	That the Director in consultation with the Chairman may approve additional funding, not exceeding €25,000, be provided to NATS in affiliation with UCD, in relation to the suspension of Course 1 and the deferment of Course 3 of EMT-A training.
December 2003	That the interim approval of the EMT-A Course (to include 2 Developmental Programmes and 1 EMT-A Programme in the 12-month period) be approved subject to receipt of a memorandum of understanding of affiliation between NATS and UCD and subject to a rigorous external evaluation process auspiced by PHECC.
November 2003	That Council approves an extension of interim accreditation to DFB to facilitate a third EMT course planned to start early 2004. That Council approves an EOI process to the two recognised training institutions (NATS & DFB) to draft a revision of the 1995 standards to encompass the following components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EMT Course - Tutor Framework Standards - Emergency Medical First Responder Course - Cardiac (re)validation/(re)certification. and to do so in the context of the new draft National Framework of Qualifications. The successful expression should include broad consultation with industry.
October 2003	That Council approves the funding (maximum €120,000) of two overseas paramedic instructors for the implementation of EMT-A training in Ireland subject to funding of the training institutions costs (see2) being available to PHECC from the DoHC. That Council approves the funding (maximum €500,000) of the training institution costs for development year one of the EMT-A training programme subject to sufficient funds being available to PHECC from the DoHC.
March 2003	That Dublin Fire Brigade/RCSI are formally recognised as an accredited Training

	<p>Institution.</p> <p>That Dublin Fire Brigade/RCSI's current submission for an EMT Basic Training Course be formally approved.</p>
<p>February 2003</p>	<p>That a Letter of Intent to approve the current submitted course subject to formal ratification by Council at its next meeting be sent to Dublin Fire Brigade/RCSI.</p> <p>That a Letter of Intent for approval as a Training Institution subject to formal ratification by Council at its next meeting be sent to Dublin Fire Brigade/RCSI.</p> <p>That Council recommend the selection criteria for the first two EMT-A Trainee cohorts as outlined in the tabled documents, be forwarded for consideration by the Employing Authorities & HeBE (Principle stakeholders) and the relevant academic institution.</p> <p>That any formal submission for course approval of an EMT-A Course be processed as per the existing accreditation procedures.</p>
<p>October 2002</p>	<p>That Council waive the accreditation monetary fee outstanding from NEU in consideration of NEU retaining the ability to sign off on any outstanding training until the end of 2002.</p> <p>That the Chairman write to CEOs outlining that it is PHECC's expectation that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persons recruited to the Ambulance Services who are not New Entrant Trainees should be on the "PHECC register". • New Entrant Trainees who do not successfully complete stage 1 (or the initial 7 weeks of block training) should not be allowed to progress to stage 2 (i.e.26 weeks of experiential training). • New Entrant Trainees who do not successfully complete stage 2 (experiential training) should not be allowed to progress to stage 3 (or the final 2 weeks block training) and will not be allowed to sit the PHECC National Examination. • New Entrant Trainees who do not successfully complete all aspects of their training and do not pass the PHECC National Examination must remain as a Trainee until they are successful and this should be within reasonable time limits as determined by the PHECC National Examination Policy. • That the Director write to NATS recommending that teaching be enhanced and that this be taken into consideration by any new applications for accreditation.

	<p>That the proposal from NATS be funded to the amount of approx €100,000 subject to clarification and reassurances as outlined.</p> <p>That PHECC agree to fund the UCD EMT-A workshop</p>
September 2002	<p>That the Chair write to the CEO's advising that it is imperative that trainees are facilitated to complete their training including clinical placements during the prescribed experiential placement.</p>

