



# **EMS CONTINUING EDUCATION WITHIN CERTIFICATION CYCLE**



## What's changed?

- In response to requests from EMS providers, a new procedure allows the previously strict two-year window to be extended to include hours obtained after the official on-line renewal date from the prior certification cycle.
  - Example: EMS provider renews on Sept. 25 with a scheduled expiration of Sept. 30. Hours obtained between Sept. 25 through Sept. 30 will count toward the new two-year period officially beginning Oct. 1.
- Note that renewals will remain only available for 90 days prior to a certification expiration.



## Previous Standard

- Recertification continuing education hours could only be obtained from the start of the new certification period (the 1st day of the quarter after you renewed) until the end of the two-year period. Thus, creating a strict two-year window to obtain education and skills.
  - Example: EMS provider renews on Sept. 25 with a scheduled expiration of Sept. 30. Hours obtained between Sept. 25 through Sept. 30 basically do not count for either certification cycle. Only hours obtained after the official start of the Oct. 1 new cycle count toward that renewal two-year period.

# CONTINUING EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION CYCLES



## Previous Procedure

- Only hours obtained within the strict two-year certification period count toward continuing education, even when prior cycle renewed before expiration.

## New Procedure

- Hours may be obtained from the date of previous cycle on-line ACADIS renewal and the expiration date.