

## **CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) TWO-YEAR PROGRAM REVIEW FOR 2024**

**Program:** Emergency Medical Services **Planning Year:** 2024-2025 **Unit:** Nursing & Allied Health  
**Cluster:** HEALTH SCIENCES AND WELLNESS SKILLED TRADES AND TECHNOLOGY  
**Last Year of CPPR/Voc. Ed Review:** 2022-2023

**INSTRUCTIONS:** CTE programs will complete and submit the below Two-Year Program Review as part of a regular two-year program review cycle (Ed Code 78016). In addition, CTE programs will complete and submit an APPW on an annual basis and an Instructional Comprehensive Program Planning and Review (CPPR) every four years according to the institutional comprehensive planning cycle for instructional programs.

### ***California Ed Code 78016***

Every vocational or occupational training program offered by a community college district shall be reviewed every two years by the governing board of the district to ensure that each program, as demonstrated by the California Occupational Information System, including the State-Local Cooperative Labor Market Information Program established in Section 10533 of the Unemployment Insurance Code, or if this program is not available in the labor market area, other available sources of labor market information, does all of the following:

1. Meets a documented labor market demand.
  2. Does not represent unnecessary duplication of other manpower training programs in the area.
  3. Is of demonstrated effectiveness as measured by the employment and completion success of its students.
- A. Any program that does not meet the requirements of subdivision (A) and the standards promulgated by the governing board shall be terminated within one year.
  - B. The review process required by this section shall include the review and comments by the local Private Industry Council established pursuant to Division 8 (commencing with Section 15000) of the Unemployment Insurance Code, which review and comments shall occur prior to any decision by the appropriate governing body.
  - C. This section shall apply to each program commenced subsequent to July 28, 1983.
  - D. A written summary of the findings of each review shall be made available to the public.

**NARRATIVE:** Review your CTE program according to the following three prompts with analysis of [data provided by the State](#).

If assistance is needed to retrieve data, please contact your Instructional Dean.

Provide a written summary for each prompt. If yes, explain why and/or how. If no, explain why.

**I. Meets a documented labor market demand, [data provided by the State](#).**

**TOP Code(s):** 125000 - Emergency Medical Services

| Area       | Estimated Year-Projected Year | Employment |           | Employment Change |         | Total Job Openings |
|------------|-------------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------------|---------|--------------------|
|            |                               | Estimated  | Projected | Number            | Percent |                    |
| California | 2018 - 2028                   | 16,800     | 18,600    | 1,800             | 10.7    | 13,570             |

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|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------------|---------|--------------------|
|                        |                               | Estimated  | Projected | Number            | Percent |                    |
| San Luis Obispo County | 2018 - 2028                   | 180        | 230       | 50                | 27.8    | 190                |

**Geography: San Luis Obispo County**

Includes: San Luis Obispo County

| Annual Job Openings by Occupation |  |                    |                            |
|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------|----------------------------|
| SOC Code                          | Occupation Title<br>(Linked to "Occupation Profile")         | 2018<br>Employment | Annual<br>Job Openings (1) |
| 292041                            | <a href="#">Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics</a> | 180                | 190                        |
|                                   | <b>Total</b>   | <b>180</b>         | <b>190</b>                 |

(1) Total Job Openings are the sum of new jobs from growth plus net replacements. Annual job openings are total job openings divided by the number of years in the projection period.

(2) This occupation has been suppressed due to confidentiality.

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Labor market demand reflected above shows both state and local (San Luis Obispo County) outlook/demand. It is important to note that Cuesta College has students in our EMT program from all over the state as many students are also attending nearby Cal Poly and will return to their home towns to practice as an EMT.

Additionally, the above numbers do not reflect the dual-role that many of our students have as firefighter/EMTs as those jobs are reflected in firefighter numbers, not in EMT and Paramedics.

The California Employment Development Division data displayed above clearly documents a need for paramedics at both the state and local levels. It is also important to consider that the EDD data was a projection encompassing the years 2018-2028, likely not accounting for the impact the Covid-19 pandemic had on the paramedic profession. The EDD data supports a labor market demand that was most likely worsened by the pandemic. The largest ambulance provider in San Luis Obispo County is currently employing "travel medics," paramedics hired from outside counties and even other states, to contend with the local paramedic shortage.

**II. Does not represent unnecessary duplication of other manpower training programs in the area.**

The nearest community college based EMT or EMT Refresher Program is located at Allan Hancock College in Lompoc, CA which is approximately 62 miles south of San Luis Obispo. EMT courses at both colleges often fill to capacity with waitlisted students.

The Cuesta College Paramedic program is the sole paramedic training program in San Luis Obispo County. The program produces one cohort per year, with a maximum of 24 paramedic students. The closest paramedic programs are at Alan Hancock College, which is 62 miles to the south, and Monterey Peninsula College, which is 143 miles to the north. The proximity of these colleges demonstrates both a lack of local duplication of manpower and a potential financial and educational burden for students in our county seeking paramedic training, should our program not exist.

**III. Is of demonstrated effectiveness as measured by the employment and completion success of its students, [Core Indicator Reports \(Summary by TOP code\)](#) (see next page for EMT & Paramedic tables)**



**PERKINS IV Core Indicators of Performance by 6-digit Vocational TOP Code**  
**Summary Detail Report for 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Planning**

CUESTA COLLEGE

**125000 Emergency Medical Services**

|                             | Core 1 Skill Attainment |       |        | Core 2 Completions |        |        | Core 3 Persistence |        |        |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|
|                             | Percent                 | Count | Total  | Percent            | Count  | Total  | Percent            | Count  | Total  |
| Program Area Total          | 10.62                   | 12    | 113    | 100.00             | 110    | 110    | 88.89              | 96     | 108    |
| Female                      | 17.65                   | 6     | 34     | 100.00             | 32     | 32     | 94.12              | 32     | 34     |
| Male                        | 6.49                    | 5     | 77     | 100.00             | 76     | 76     | 86.11              | 62     | 72     |
| Non-traditional             |                         | 0     | 0      |                    | 0      | 0      |                    | 0      | 0      |
| Displaced Homemaker         | 33.33                   | 1     | 3      | 100.00             | 2      | 2      | 100.00             | 3      | 3      |
| Economically Disadvantaged  | 11.36                   | 5     | 44     | 100.00             | 43     | 43     | 95.45              | 42     | 44     |
| Limited English Proficiency |                         | 0     | 0      |                    | 0      | 0      |                    | 0      | 0      |
| Single Parent               | 0.00                    | 0     | 5      | 100.00             | 5      | 5      | 100.00             | 5      | 5      |
| Students with Disabilities  | 14.29                   | 1     | 7      | 100.00             | 7      | 7      | 85.71              | 6      | 7      |
| Technical Preparation       |                         | 0     | 0      |                    | 0      | 0      |                    | 0      | 0      |
| District                    | 10.62                   | 12    | 113    | 100.00             | 110    | 110    | 88.89              | 96     | 108    |
| State                       | 49.26                   | 9,984 | 20,270 | 95.33              | 14,120 | 14,811 | 87.00              | 17,096 | 19,650 |

|                             | Core 4 Employment |        |        | Core 5a NT Participation |       |       | Core 5b NT Completion |       |       |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------|-------|-------|
|                             | Percent           | Count  | Total  | Percent                  | Count | Total | Percent               | Count | Total |
| Program Area Total          | 87.78             | 79     | 90     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Female                      | 92.00             | 23     | 25     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Male                        | 87.50             | 56     | 64     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Non-traditional             |                   | 0      | 0      |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Displaced Homemaker         | 100.00            | 2      | 2      |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Economically Disadvantaged  | 92.11             | 35     | 38     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Limited English Proficiency |                   | 0      | 0      |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Single Parent               | 80.00             | 4      | 5      |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Students with Disabilities  | 80.00             | 4      | 5      |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Technical Preparation       |                   | 0      | 0      |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| District                    | 87.78             | 79     | 90     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| State                       | 87.37             | 10,550 | 12,075 | 100.00                   | 14    | 14    | 100.00                | 14    | 14    |

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Performance Rate Less Than Goal is Shaded

Core 1 - Skill Attainment, GPA 2.0 & Above: 91.75% Performance Goal - ( 2017- 2018)  
 Core 2 - Completions, Certificates, Degrees and Transfer Ready: 89.00% Performance Goal - ( 2017- 2018)  
 Core 3 - Persistence in Higher Education: 91.00% Performance Goal - ( 2017- 2018)  
 Core 4 - Employment: 73.23% Performance Goal - ( 2017- 2018)  
 Core 5 - Training Leading to Non-traditional Employment: Greater than 23.93% Participation & 28.02% Completion - ( 2017- 2018)

Source: CCCC MIS Database, EDD Base Wage File, CSU Chancellor's Office, UC Office of the President, 2000 Census, Student Loan Clearing House

**EMT** :As the above report shows, we continue to meet Core 2 (Completion) and Core 4 goals.

We continue to have students gain employment locally and throughout the state as EMTs with Emergency Departments in hospitals, private ambulance services, fire departments, Harbor Patrol, county Park Services and others. Many of our students go on to further their careers as Paramedics or into other healthcare tracks (RN, PA, NP, MD, etc.) filling vital vacancies within our healthcare system.

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**125100 Paramedic**

|                             | Core 1 Skill Attainment |       |       | Core 2 Completions |       |       | Core 3 Persistence |       |       |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------|-------|--------------------|-------|-------|--------------------|-------|-------|
|                             | Percent                 | Count | Total | Percent            | Count | Total | Percent            | Count | Total |
| Program Area Total          | 96.67                   | 29    | 30    | 100.00             | 20    | 20    | 92.86              | 26    | 28    |
| Female                      | 100.00                  | 5     | 5     | 100.00             | 3     | 3     | 80.00              | 4     | 5     |
| Male                        | 96.00                   | 24    | 25    | 100.00             | 17    | 17    | 95.65              | 22    | 23    |
| Non-traditional             |                         | 0     | 0     |                    | 0     | 0     |                    | 0     | 0     |
| Displaced Homemaker         |                         | 0     | 0     |                    | 0     | 0     |                    | 0     | 0     |
| Economically Disadvantaged  | 94.12                   | 16    | 17    | 100.00             | 10    | 10    | 100.00             | 16    | 16    |
| Limited English Proficiency |                         | 0     | 0     |                    | 0     | 0     |                    | 0     | 0     |
| Single Parent               | 100.00                  | 1     | 1     | 100.00             | 1     | 1     | 100.00             | 1     | 1     |
| Students with Disabilities  | 100.00                  | 1     | 1     | 100.00             | 1     | 1     | 100.00             | 1     | 1     |
| Technical Preparation       |                         | 0     | 0     |                    | 0     | 0     |                    | 0     | 0     |
| District                    | 96.67                   | 29    | 30    | 100.00             | 20    | 20    | 92.86              | 26    | 28    |
| State                       | 72.22                   | 4,464 | 6,181 | 95.78              | 3,518 | 3,673 | 88.01              | 5,175 | 5,880 |

  

|                             | Core 4 Employment |       |       | Core 5a NT Participation |       |       | Core 5b NT Completion |       |       |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|--------------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------|-------|-------|
|                             | Percent           | Count | Total | Percent                  | Count | Total | Percent               | Count | Total |
| Program Area Total          | 93.33             | 14    | 15    |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Female                      | 100.00            | 1     | 1     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Male                        | 92.86             | 13    | 14    |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Non-traditional             |                   | 0     | 0     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Displaced Homemaker         |                   | 0     | 0     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Economically Disadvantaged  | 100.00            | 6     | 6     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Limited English Proficiency |                   | 0     | 0     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Single Parent               |                   | 0     | 0     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Students with Disabilities  | 100.00            | 1     | 1     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| Technical Preparation       |                   | 0     | 0     |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| District                    | 93.33             | 14    | 15    |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |
| State                       | 87.05             | 2,675 | 3,073 |                          | 0     | 0     |                       | 0     | 0     |

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**Paramedic:** As demonstrated in the above chart, the paramedic program succeeds in Core 1-4 by attaining scores ranging from 92.86 to 100. In consideration of the workforce demand, it is important to highlight the Core 2 Completion (100.00%) and Core 4 Employment (93.33%) scores. Paramedic graduate the program and obtain almost immediate employment, usually filling vacancies in our community in both the fire service and private ambulance.