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## **National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians to Adopt American Academy of Pediatrics Textbook as Part of Continuing Education Program**

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CHICAGO – The National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT) announced today the adoption of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) *Pediatric for Prehospital Professionals (PEPP), Third Edition* textbook within NAEMT’s Emergency Pediatric Care course.

NAEMT President Don Lundy said, “NAEMT and our Emergency Pediatric Care Committee wanted to provide a comprehensive compendium of the best practices in pediatric prehospital care as the foundation for our Emergency Pediatric Care course, which focuses on care of the sick and injured child. The AAP’s *PEPP, Third Edition*, prepared by the top pediatric emergency subspecialists, was the clear choice.”

“The Academy welcomes NAEMT’s decision to select the PEPP textbook as the medical foundation for the Emergency Pediatric Care course,” said AAP President James M. Perrin, MD, FAAP. “Through our collaborative efforts, both organizations will benefit by bringing greater value to the emergency medical services community and, ultimately, the children whom we all serve.”

NAEMT will beta test the third edition of the Emergency Pediatric Care course using the PEPP textbook at the 2014 EMS World Expo in Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 9-10. Following the beta course, in early 2015, Emergency Pediatric Care instructors will participate in an online instructor update prior to teaching the course.

The AAP will continue to offer its successful PEPP course that covers critical knowledge and skills needed to rapidly evaluate, stabilize, and transport a pediatric patient.

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*About the AAP:*

*The American Academy of Pediatrics is an organization of 62,000 primary care pediatricians, pediatric medical subspecialists and pediatric surgical specialists dedicated to the health, safety and well-being of infants, children, adolescents and young adults. For more information, visit [www.aap.org](http://www.aap.org) and follow us on Twitter @AmerAcadPeds.*

*About NAEMT:*

*The National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians is an organization of over 42,000 members that represents and serves the professional interests of all EMS practitioners, including paramedics, emergency medical technicians, emergency medical responders and other professionals working in prehospital emergency medicine.*