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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **The International Board of Specialty Certification Receives Accreditation of its Certified Community, Critical Care, Flight, and Tactical Paramedic Examinations from the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA).**

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**Snellville, GA** (August 15, 2018): The International Board of Specialty Certification (IBSC®) has been awarded accreditation status from the National Commission for Certifying Agencies, the Accreditation Body of the Institute for Credentialing Excellence (ICE). The NCCA accreditation means that the highest quality standards in professional certification are met to ensure our certifications adhere to modern standards of practice in the certification industry.

The NCCA accreditation encompasses all of the IBSC's paramedic level certifications to include the Certified Community Paramedic (CP-C®), the Certified Critical Care Paramedic (CCP-C®), the Certified Flight Paramedic (FP-C®), and the Certified Tactical Paramedic (TP-C®) certifications. "The IBSC is very excited and honored to have obtained the prestigious NCCA accreditation for our certification examinations" said Graham Pierce, IBSC's Chairman of the Board. "The IBSC has become the first and only NCCA accredited certification process for paramedics working in specialty environments. The NCCA's recognition demonstrates our commitment to the highest quality standards in professional certification." The NCCA accreditation is for a five-year period through August 2023.

#### **About the Institute for Credentialing Excellence (ICE):**

ICE's mission is to advance credentialing through education, standards, research, and advocacy to ensure competence across professions and occupations. NCCA was founded as a commission whose mission is to help ensure the health, welfare, and safety of the public through the accreditation of a variety of certification programs that assess professional competence. NCCA uses a peer review process to: establish accreditation standards; evaluate compliance with these standards; recognize programs which demonstrate compliance; and serve as a resource on quality certification. More information can be found at [www.credentialingexcellence.org](http://www.credentialingexcellence.org) or by calling +1.202.367.1165.

#### **About the International Board of Specialty Certification:**

The International Board of Specialty Certification (IBSC®) is the evolution of the Board for Critical Care Transport Paramedic Certification (BCCTPC®). Our Certified Flight Paramedic (FP-C®), Certified Critical Care

Paramedic (CCP-C®) Certified Tactical Paramedic (TP-C®), Certified Tactical Responder (TR-C®) and Certified Community Paramedic (CP-C®) examinations are well established and have become a recognized standard for clinical competency by medical providers in the United States, Europe, South Africa and the Middle East. Founded in 2000, the IBSC is a not-for-profit professional certification organization responsible for the administration and development of specialty certification exams for critical care professionals. The mission of the IBSC is to improve quality of care in all aspects of specialty EMS care across a wide variety of applications by providing a portfolio of certification exams that are an objective, fair, and honest validation of specialty knowledge to paramedics and other allied health providers are called upon to perform critical care transport. Exams are developed that are responsive to the needs of the paramedic community. Currently, there are nearly 10,000 board certified paramedics in one of the four specialty designations. More information can be found at [www.IBSCertifications.org](http://www.IBSCertifications.org) or by calling +1.770.978.4400.

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