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### Jonathan Jones Appointed as South Carolina's Commissioner for the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice

**WASHINGTON, February 7, 2025** – The Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice is pleased to announce the appointment of Jonathan Jones as the new Delegate & Commissioner for the State of South Carolina, effective immediately. Commissioner Jones brings a wealth of experience in emergency medical services, leadership, and policy development, having dedicated his career to advancing EMS education, preparedness, and operational excellence.

Commissioner Jones currently serves as the Director of the EMS Division with the South Carolina Department of Public Health (DPH), a position he assumed on January 2, 2025. Prior to this role, he was a board member of the South Carolina EMS Association (SCEMSA), where he played a pivotal role in advocating for EMS education and disaster preparedness initiatives. His contributions have left a lasting impact on the association and the broader EMS community in South Carolina.

"We are honored to welcome Commissioner Jones to the EMS Compact," said Chair of the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice, Kraig Kinney, JD, NRP. "His extensive experience in EMS education and policy development will be invaluable as we continue to enhance the mobility and readiness of EMS clinicians across member states."

The Commission also extends its gratitude to South Carolina's outgoing Commissioner for their dedication and service in supporting the EMS Compact's mission. Commissioner Jones' appointment reaffirms South Carolina's commitment to ensuring a highly trained, responsive, and adaptable EMS workforce. The Commission looks forward to working alongside him in advancing interstate EMS collaboration, licensure recognition, and clinician mobility.



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#### About the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice

The Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice, established under the Recognition of EMS Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact (REPLICA) legislation, is the governing body responsible for overseeing the operations of the EMS Compact. Comprised of appointed Commissioners from each member state, the Commission ensures compliance with the Compact's provisions, manages its operations, and resolves interstate disputes. ICEMSPP focuses on cross-border EMS activities, maintains a national database of EMS personnel, and upholds uniform practices across member states to enhance EMS care and public safety. Currently coordinating efforts in 24 states and overseeing nearly 400,000 EMS personnel, the Commission sets standards and regulations, promotes the profession, and ensures public protection. Interstate Compacts represent the gold standard for multistate professional licensure, facilitating seamless and efficient EMS practice across state lines.