



James Dinsch

Position Sought: Great Plains Region Director

Candidate Background Information

Educational Accomplishments

- Master of Science, Leadership in Disaster Preparation & Crisis Management – Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ, 2009
- Bachelor of Science, Public Safety Administration – Charter Oak State College, New Britain, CT, 2007

Professional Certifications & Licensure

- Nationally Registered Paramedic
- Licensed paramedic in Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, Texas, Wisconsin
- AHA BLS & ACLS Instructor
- AHA PALS Provider
- AHA/AAP Neonatal Resuscitation Program Advanced Provider
- NAEMT GEMS Provider
- NAEMT PHTLS Provider & Former Instructor
- UMBC Critical Care Paramedic
- NAEMSE Level 1 & 2 Instructor
- Trained Tactical Paramedic
- Numerous associated fire and rescue certifications

Publications

- Leggio, W.J., Batt, A.M., Berry, J.C., Fentress, T., Vosper, M.L., Walsh, K., & Dinsch, J. (2017). Correlation of formative assessments as the means of predicting summative performance in paramedic students. *Internet Journal of Allied Health Sciences and Practice*, 15(4), 1-4. <https://doi.org/10.46743/1540-580X/2017.1672>
- Cage, T., Dinsch, J., Mayne, M., Asche, S., & Page, D. (2014). Fewer preceptors leads to faster attainment of team leadership competency during paramedic student internships [Abstract]. *Prehospital Emergency Care*, 18(1), 153. <https://doi.org/10.3109/10903127.2013.847996>

NAEMT/Other EMS Organization Involvement

- NAEMT, Member
- NAEMT Affiliate Advisory Committee, Florida Association of EMTs & Paramedics
- NAEMT, Former Instructor & Training Center Coordinator
- Florida Association of EMS Educators, Executive Director
- Florida EMS Advisory Council Legislative Committee, FAEMSE Representative

- Florida Association of EMTs and Paramedics, Executive Director
- National Association of EMS Educators, Member
- NAEMSE Board of Directors, 2015-2018
- NAEMSE Treasurer, 2016-2017
- National EMS Management Association, Member
- NEMSMA/International Journal of Paramedicine, Associate Editor–Production
- American Ambulance Association, Member
- International Association of Fire Chiefs, Member
- Iowa EMS Association, Member
- Minnesota Ambulance Association, Member
- National Association of EMS Physicians, Member
- National Association of Mobile Integrated Healthcare Providers, Member
- Wisconsin EMS Association, Member

Current Employment

Cedar County EMS, Tipton, IA

EMS Director/Chief, 2025–Present

Contact: Mindy Beekman, EMS Administration, Cedar County EMA –

[REDACTED] (Agency verification letter attached)

Recent Prior Employment

LifeCare Medical Center, Roseau, MN

EMS Director, 2022–2024

Contact: Human Resources,

Nature Coast EMS, Lecanto, FL

Deputy Chief–Administration; Paramedic Program Director; 2020–2022

Note: Agency closed following takeover by county fire agency. No remaining contacts.

Indian River State College, Fort Pierce, FL

Department Chair & Program Director, EMS; Assistant Professor, EMS; 2012–2020

Contact: Human Resources,

San Juan College, Farmington, NM

Director of EMS, 2010–2011

Contact: Human Resources,

Countryside Fire Protection District, Vernon Hills, IL

Director, Information Systems Division; Firefighter-Paramedic; 1998–2002, 2007–2010

Contact: Chief Chuck Smith,