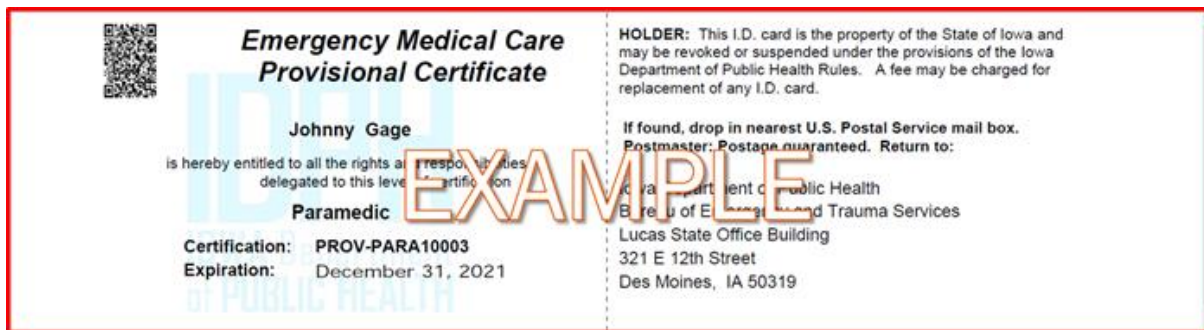


## Iowa Provisional EMS Certification

Based on Governor Reynolds' Proclamation of Disaster Emergency signed on Friday April 25, 2020 Iowa has made changes to allow the issuing of a provisional EMS certification. This provisional EMS certification will be in alignment with the National Registry of EMTs (NREMT) provisional certification. EMR, EMT, AEMT, or Paramedic level provisional EMS certifications issued by both the NREMT and the Iowa Department of Public Health was established to assist candidates who have completed all EMS training requirements for initial EMS certification, successfully completed the certifying cognitive examination, but has not completed the certifying psychomotor examination due to COVID-19 limitations.

Only individuals who hold a valid NREMT provisional certification can apply for an Iowa provisional EMS certification. Provisional Iowa EMS certifications issued by the Department will allow individuals to function up to the level of their provisional EMS certification when working with another fully certified Iowa EMS provider (non-provisional) of equal or higher certification level. All Iowa EMS provisional certifications will have a December 31, 2021 expiration date. Under the current proclamation an Iowa provisional EMS certifications cannot be renewed or have their expiration date extended. Individuals who hold a valid Iowa provisional EMS certification will be required to successful complete the certifying psychomotor prior to December 31, 2021 in order to obtain full certification.

Iowa provisional EMS certification numbers will begin with "PROV-", followed by the certification level, and then a 5-digit number. Below is an example of a valid Iowa provisional EMS certification for the paramedic level.



Iowa provisional certifications can also be verified using the public search feature in the AMANDA portal.