Pro Board 2027 Accreditation and Education Conference

"Facing the Challenges"

Dallas/Plano Marriott at Legacy Town Center
Plano, Texas
January 14-16, 2027

Thursday, January 14

1:00 – 4:00	Registration - Pick up name badges & conference materials
5:30– 7:00	**Welcome Reception**

Friday, January 15

7:00	**Breakfast**
8:00	**Opening** – Bob Rand, Accreditation Manager
	Introduction – Jim Estepp, Chairman, Board of Directors
	Presentation of Certificates – Members of the Board of Directors
	Presentation of the Johnny G. Wilson and V. Ken Elmore Memorial Awards
	Estepp Scholarship Presentations – Chairman and Mrs. Estepp
9:15	**NFPA Update,** Barry Chase, Standards Lead, Emergency Response & Responder Safety, NFPA
10:15	**Networking Break**
10:30	**COA Update**- Brian Brauer, Committee on Accreditation (COA) Chair
11:30	**Vendor Introductions**
12:00	**Lunch**
1:30	**The Importance of Local Validation- Preparing Test Tools for Use in Your Certification Program**
2:45	**Networking Break**
3:00	**Formal Announcements and Updates**

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Saturday, January 16

7:00	**Breakfast**
8:00	**Q & A from Audience Submissions**
8:45	**Concurrent Workshops Session #1**
9:45	**Networking Break**
10:00	**Concurrent Workshops Session #2**
11:00	**Concurrent Workshops Session #3**
12:00	**Lunch**
1:30	**Concurrent Workshops Session #4**
2:30	**Networking Break**
3:00	**Advisory Committee Meeting- John Culbertson, Advisory Committee Chair Elections**
	Closing Remarks

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