



Frequently Asked Questions – EPCR Program

A. General Questions

1. *What is the EPCR program?*

The program, **Expert Perspectives on Careers in Resilience**, is a series of webinars generated by the National ACP organization and hosted by Local Chapters of ACP across the country.

2. *Why has National generated these videos, and what is the objective?*

The National organization understands the importance of the industry and the need to educate and motivate the next generation of professionals in continuity and resilience. The webinar series provides a professional program to offer locally with consistent messaging of the ACP Brand and value.

3. *If students are the potential recipient audiences, why is the ACP doing this for Academia?*

Local ACP Chapters across the country are engaging more with Academia, institutions whose curriculums include cyber security, emergency management, and other fields under the resilience umbrella. Instructors have shared the need for information on career paths, opportunities, and incentives for finding a career home within these fields.

4. *How long are the recorded sessions?*

Each recorded session lasts 30 to 40 minutes. The planning allows for networking time before showing the recording and a recommended 15 minutes afterward to answer questions from students and instructors.

5. *Are the ACP webinars different from what I can find on YouTube or Netflix?*

Yes, our panelists are uniquely qualified to discuss their own career paths, motivations, promotion opportunities, and gratifying interactions with others across the industry.

B. Membership Benefits

1. *What are the requirements of the free ACP membership, and how long does it last?*

As agreed to by the local instructors, those who attend a minimum of three webinars in one semester (either 2021 or 2022) will have free membership through December of that year.

2. *If free membership for the calendar year is an incentive, is the free membership offered for both National and Local Chapters?*

Yes, Chapters who opt into the EPCR program are also offering a local membership at no cost for the remainder of that calendar year



3. *When will I get the code for the free ACP membership?*

As soon as the agreed upon webinars have been attended, your Local Chapter will provide the instructor a code to be given to those specific attendees, linked to their email addresses. This code will come from the National ACP team.

4. *Do I need to provide a credit card number for the free membership?*

No credit card number is required.

5. *If I take the webinars in two different years, will my membership extend?*

No, as aligned with the instructor, webinar attendance must be completed during the same semester in which it was started.

C. Chapters

1. *What is the cost to the Local Chapter, and how will a free membership be managed?*

When the Local Chapter opts into the EPCR Program, they agree to provide (and absorb) up to one free year of membership for any student or instructor. Once the student has attended the agreed upon number of webinars, the Academia instructor will generate that list to the local ACP Chapter contact who will provide the discount code that would be entered at time of registration to the National and Local Chapter. The discount code will be available only for use by those whose emails are pre-registered, and the code must be used in the year that it was provided.

2. *What does a Local Chapter need to do to participate in the EPCR program?*

Once the Chapter has reviewed the EPCR program and its Local Chapter Board has approved the engagement, the Chapter should contact National to register.

3. *If a local ACP Chapter registers for the EPCR program, are they committed?*

National ACP recognizes that each Local Chapter may have different challenges and resources. By registering in the EPCR program, the Chapter is acknowledging its interest and willingness to participate and will begin engagement with local Academia.

Once a local ACP Chapter has engaged Academia and committed locally to hosting the webinar series, we ask the local chapter to complete that entire engagement before making any changes to their local chapter EPCR engagement.



4. *Where will I go to get the links and information I need to host the webinars for my Chapter?*

Contact the National office for all information.

5. *Where can I find the descriptions to the individual recorded webinars?*

The descriptions are included in the guidelines from the EPCR team. The file is called *EPCR Webinar Descriptions September 2021*.

6. *Does the Local Chapter need to identify a person to host each of the sessions with the local program?*

Yes, the Chapter should consider each session an information sharing and networking opportunity and involve members in various roles.

7. *Do the recordings have to go in the same order; 1, 2, 3, etc.?*

We recommend the first and last webinar recordings be presented in that order. Any recorded webinars in between those can be shared in any order that the local ACP Chapter and the instructor agree upon.

8. *Why should the local ACP Chapter host a brief Q&A session after each webinar?*

This is your opportunity to answer specific questions from students about the recorded webinar; this is your opportunity to promote the value of membership within your region and to highlight members' credentials and accomplishments. We recommend agreeing to a time duration with the instructor of around 15 minutes following each webinar.

9. *What is the content of the "Engagement in a Box" materials for the EPCR program?*

In addition to an overview document outlining the program, the materials include guidelines for hosting the events (both in person and online) as well as ideas for reaching instructors who will support the program and for reaching students who may be interested. Also included is a more thorough description of all the webinars and speakers.

10. *Once the Chapter decides to host locally, for how long are they committed?*

Each Chapter must decide to participate based on the availability of members to support the effort and compatibility with other Chapter activities. No other commitment is required, but we do ask that you keep National informed of the status of your participation.

D. Students/Academia

1. *Is there a cost to participate in the EPCR program as a student or professor?*



The only costs that may be incurred are room rent or refreshments if not covered by the Local Chapter.

2. *Can a student or professor get the direct link to the webinar?*

All participating instructors will have information on accessing the recordings following their attendance at the webinars. (?)

3. *How many recordings are there, and will new videos be recorded in the future?*

Seven recordings are currently included in the program, and the team is gathering ideas for recording future topics.

4. *Will there be a survey of students and instructors?*

Yes, there will be a survey provided to both students and instructors. Our goal is to continue to develop and deliver a quality program to our Local Chapters and Academia. The surveys will provide guidance on acceptance and suggest opportunities to improve or recommend areas of expansion.

5. *Are the webinars intended to replace instruction on any topic?*

No, the webinars are supplemental only.

6. *Should students be tested by instructors on content in the EPCR program?*

No, but instructors may include discussion of the webinars in future classroom sessions if they choose to do so.

7. *How old do I have to be to receive a free ACP National and Local membership?*

The minimum age to become a member of ACP is 18.

8. *Do you sell my personal information?*

No personal information on ACP members is sold or given to any group.

9. *Do I have to attend local ACP Chapter meetings if I receive a free membership?*

We encourage attendance to local chapter meetings to expand awareness of our industry and to network with professionals. Attendance is always voluntary.

10. *Do Local ACP chapters have virtual meetings?*

During the pandemic, chapters have relied on virtual meetings. Check with your Local Chapter on the availability of virtual attendance.

11. *How often do ACP Local Chapters meet?*



Again, check with your Local Chapter. Most chapters meet regularly.

12. *Do attendees (students and instructors) have to attend every webinar offered?*

To qualify for complementary membership, we are asking attendance at a minimum of three or more webinars as agreed to by the instructor.

13. *What happens if a student misses a scheduled session? Can they view it later?*

No, the instructors will not have access to the recorded material.

14. *Can Academia record the webinar sessions?*

No, the recordings are the property of the National ACP and only shared as a live recorded broadcast with the Local Chapter. This assures continued engagement with Academia and also ensures all information is up to date.

15. *Will students and instructors be required to provide their email address?*

Yes, those wishing to attend the series will need to provide their email addresses. Each email address will be shared with National ACP and be linked for the free ACP membership after attendance requirements are met.

16. *Who should coordinate the webinar sessions?*

It is recommended that the Academia instructor coordinate the communications with the students. The local ACP Chapter contact for the EPCR program should work with the instructor to capture attendance, email addresses, and registrations.

17. *Does the local ACP Chapter need a Zoom or WebEx account?*

It is recommended that the Academia instructors utilize their video supported programs (or on-campus room facilities) used for all their approved course work. This ensures that students and instructors are constantly aligned with the series and can support any technical issues that may arise.