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Dr. Phillip Coule serves as the Vice-Chairman of Clinical and Business Operations in the Department of Emergency Medicine and Hospitalist Services at the Medical College of Georgia at Georgia Regents University. Dr. Coule is a Professor of Emergency Medicine and is Board Certified in Emergency Medicine and the EMS subspecialty board. Dr. Coule obtained his Bachelor of Science in Biology from Augusta State University in 1992 and his M.D. from the Medical College of Georgia in 1996. He completed a transitional internship in Internal Medicine and then a residency in Emergency Medicine and joined the faculty in 2000. Dr. Coule completed his Physician Executive MBA at the University of Tennessee in 2012.

Dr. Coule serves in various positions within the health system including Medical Director of the Emergency Communications Center, Medical Director of both the AirLife Georgia 10 Helicopter service and the Augusta Fire Department. Dr. Coule has served on various committees and task forces, particularly making use of his expertise in emergency care and disaster preparedness. Dr. Coule was formerly the Director of the Center of Operational Medicine, leaving that position to assume the Vice-Chairman role.

Dr. Coule began his emergency medicine career as an EMT and has become recognized internationally as a leading expert on the topic of disaster preparedness, mass casualty triage and pre-hospital emergency medicine. He serves as the Chairman of the Board of the National Disaster Life Support Foundation, a non-profit organization devoted to training emergency responders to better respond to disasters. Dr. Coule and colleagues created the National Disaster Life Support training programs that have become the gold standard for healthcare disaster preparedness training. He has authored numerous publications in the area of pre-hospital emergency care.

Dr. Coule's focus has recently shifted to business operations and process efficiency. He recently completed his MBA at the University of Tennessee with a focus of Lean Six-Sigma Healthcare system improvement. Dr. Coule's broad depth of experiences, education, training, understanding of business and medicine, and demonstrated talent as an innovative problem solver make him a unique asset.