

National Association of State EMS Officials



Domestic Preparedness Committee Strategic Plan Priorities and Strategies 2013-2014

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Mission

The mission of the Domestic Preparedness (DP) Committee of the National Association of State Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Officials is to provide technical assistance and provide representation of State EMS Directors regarding both for natural as well as terrorist type incidents as it relates to planning, preparedness, response and recovery to include homeland security activities. The Domestic Preparedness Committee is committed to assure that EMS leadership has a “seat at the table” in these important initiatives as well as reviews and provides input into federal plans and documents concerning all phases of EMS response to Domestic Preparedness activities.

Vision

The Vision of the Domestic Preparedness committee is to ensure effective EMS preparedness activities by cooperating and collaborating with our response stakeholders and various local, state and federal agencies. NASEMSO will work hand-in-hand during a national or state declared disaster or domestic incident with their response stakeholders in order to keep members informed and to meet EMS demands of the incident.

NASEMSO strategy and planning are categorized under three strategic goals:

Leadership refers to the role of state EMS offices as “lead agencies” for EMS as well as thoughtful leaders in public policy development.

Systems Development refers to the role of state EMS offices in the development of effective systems of emergency medical care and services.

Performance Improvement is the process of continually reviewing, assessing and refining practices to improve outcomes.

NASEMSO strategy and planning under:

Leadership - the role of state EMS offices as “lead agencies” for EMS as well as thoughtful leaders in public policy development.

The EMS community looks to state EMS offices for guidance and approval, as well as regulation and licensure. NASEMSO works to support EMS officials nationwide in understanding and implementing processes that improve EMS practices and patient outcomes.

Leadership Strategic Priorities 2013 - 2014

The Domestic Preparedness Committee supports Leadership through:

- Assure NASEMSO has representation on federal & national preparedness initiatives (SP1)
 - Support DP chair participation on the EMAC National Advisory Committee
 - Provide representation on federal and national committees related to EMS preparedness
 - Provide input on federal draft documents as it relates to preparedness activities
- Assure NASEMSO has representation on federal and national response initiatives (SP2)
 - Continue to collaborate with FEMA leadership and AMR as it relates to the National Ambulance Contract
 - Continue to collaborate with FEMA leadership as it relates to the EMAC
- Assist states/territories with reliable information and resources during disaster incidents (SP3)
 - Work with state emergency management agencies to coordinate federal EMS response assets
 - Work with state/territory EMS offices to assure they receive notification on EMS resources being deployed under the National Ambulance Contract (NAC) and Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC)
 - Assist and support states/territories with treatment and transport of patients for a

NASEMSO strategy and planning under:

Systems Development - the role of state EMS offices in the development of effective systems of emergency medical care and services.

The growing national awareness of the importance of coordinated systems of care places NASEMSO squarely in a leadership role, demonstrating the need for state offices to coordinate the disparate functions that support effective systems.

disaster incident

- Continue to update and revise NASEMSO’s Emergency notification list and notification procedures.

System Development Strategic Priorities 2013 - 2014

The Domestic Preparedness committee supports system development through:

- Provide technical assistance, tools, resources and information that helps states plan and prepare for disaster incidents (SP4)
- Conduct bimonthly DP committee calls to keep members informed of DP activities and to seek involvement of NASEMSO members or designees on preparedness issues
- Provide technical assistance, tools, resources and information in order that EMS workers are better prepared with education, training, personal protective equipment and planning to support disaster response
- Post and update appropriate documents on a DP section of the NASEMSO website
- Provide EMS stakeholders with input on national and federal preparedness response documents, plans and initiatives (SP5)
- Develop and implement a NASEMSO Member Activation Procedure (SP6)
 - Exercise and update the NASEMSO Activation Procedure annually
 - Maintain and update NASEMSO’s Emergency Contact information for state

EMS Directors

- Initiate Activation Procedure for any NAC activation
- Initiate Activation Procedure as appropriate for any state declared incident
- Continue to identify international and national EMS / Homeland Security exchange tours (SP7)

NASEMSO strategy and planning under:

Performance Improvement (PI) - the process of continually reviewing, assessing and refining practices to improve outcomes.

The steps of developing an effective cycle of collecting high quality data, reviewing it in proven multidisciplinary processes, identifying strategies to implement needed changes and communicating them to all stakeholders are the keys to PI success and improving patient outcomes.

Performance Improvement Strategic Priorities 2013 - 2014

The Domestic Preparedness Committee supports Performance Improvement through:

- Develop and post on the NASEMSO website an After Action Report (AAR) after each NASEMSO involvement on a state/national declared incident (SP8)
- Identify and post 'best practices' by states involved in a state-wide disaster response (SP9)

Strategic Priority 1

Assure NASEMSO has representation on federal & national **preparedness** initiatives.

Provide technical assistance to states/territories regarding terrorism planning, preparedness response and recovery on homeland security initiatives. This assistance will include resource documents, surveys and recommendations by federal response partners and information on what other state/territories are doing. All documents and plans will be maintained on the DP web site.

Provide representation, as requested, to participate on federal and national committees as they relate to EMS preparedness activities. This representation will assure that EMS stakeholders has a voice on national issues, programs and initiatives

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activities 1.1 – Support DP chair participation on the EMAC National Advisory Committee.	Chair and staff	2 meeting per year	On-going
Activity 1.2 - Provide representation on federal and national committees related to EMS preparedness.	Chair and staff	As requested	On-going
Activity 1.3-Provide input on federal draft documents/initiatives as it relates to preparedness activities	Chair and staff	As requested	On-going

Benchmark Activities

date	activity	who	notes

Strategic Priority 2

Assure NASEMSO has representation on federal and national response initiatives.

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 2.1 – Continue to collaborate with FEMA leadership and AMR as it relates to the National Ambulance Contract	Chair and staff	2 times per year	On-going
Activity 2.2 - Continue to collaborate with FEMA leadership as it relates to the EMAC.	Chair and staff	2 times per year	On-going

Benchmark Activities

date	activity	who	notes

Strategic Priority 3

Assist states/territories with reliable information and resources during disaster incidents.

Initiate a call out to membership when the NAC is activated. This call out will provide both notification and updates to the members on a state/national declared disaster/incident. This will include supporting the EMAC process and continue to partner with FEMA and AMR to ensure a smooth deployment of EMS Resources

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 3.1 – Work with state emergency management agencies to coordinate federal EMS response assets.	Chair and staff	As requested	On-going
Activity 3.2 - Work with state/territory EMS offices to assure they receive notification on EMS resources being deployed under the National Ambulance Contract (NAC) and Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC).	Chair and staff	As needed	On-going
Activity 3.3 - Assist and support states/territories with treatment and transport of patients for a disaster incident	Chair and staff	As needed	On-going
Activity 3.4-Continue to update and revise NASEMSO’s emergency notification list and notification procedures	Chair and staff	annually	On-going

Benchmark Activities

date	activity	who	notes

Strategic Priority 4

Provide technical assistance, tools, resources and information that helps states plan and prepare for disaster incidents.

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 4.1 – Conduct bimonthly DP committee calls to keep members informed of DP activities and to seek involvement of NASEMSO members or designees on preparedness issues.	Chair and staff	Bi-monthly	On-going
Activity 4.2 – Provide technical assistance, tools, resources and information in order that EMS workers are prepared with education, training, personal protective equipment and planning to support disaster response.	Chair and Staff	Per request	On-going
Activity 4.3 – Post and update appropriate documents on a DP section of the NASEMSO website.	Chair and staff	monthly	On-going

Benchmark Activities

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Strategic Priority 5

Provide EMS stakeholders with input on national and federal preparedness response documents, plans and initiatives.

Review and coordinate comments on any national and federal documents/plans/initiatives to assure that NASEMSO has input. Members will be given a timeframe to comment and staff will submit a coordinated response.

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 5.1 –			

Benchmark Activities

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Strategic Priority 6

Develop and implement a NASEMSO Member Activation Procedure.

Conduct a communications exercise testing NASEMSO’s revised Activation Notification Procedure. This procedure will be revised after each drill or real event.

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 6.1 – Exercise and update the NASEMSO Activation Procedure annually.	Chair and Staff	Bi-annually	Test in Sept of 2013
Activity 6.2 – Initiate Activation Procedure for any NAC activation.	Chair and staff	Per request	Sept of 20113
Activity 6.3 – Initiate Activation Procedure as appropriate for any state declared incident.	Chair and staff	Per request	Sept of 20113
Activity 6.4- Maintain and update NASEMSO’s emergency contact information for state EMS Directors.	Chair and staff	Bi-annually	Test in Sept of 2013
Activity 6.5-Initiate activation procedures for an NAC activation and/or for any state declared incident where EMS resources maybe needed.	Chair and staff	Per request	Sept of 20113

Benchmark Activities

date	activity	who	notes

Strategic Priority 7

Continue to identify international and national EMS / Homeland Security exchange tours.

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 7.1 –			

Benchmark Activities

date	activity	who	notes

Strategic Priority 8

Develop and post on the NASEMSO website an After Action Report (AAR) after each NASEMSO involvement on a state/national declared incident.

Provide an AAR after each exercise or real event “call-out”. This AAR will be completed within 30 days of the incident and subsequently posted on the DP web site.

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 8.1 – Develop and post on the NASEMSO website an AAR after each NASEMSO involvement on a state/national declared incident	Chair and staff	Per request or need	October 2013
Activity 8.2-Identify and post “best practices” by states involved in a state-wide disaster response	Chair and staff	Per request or need	October 2013

Benchmark Activities

date	activity	who	notes

Strategic Priority 9

Identify and post 'best practices' by states involved in a state-wide disaster response.

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 9.1 –			

Benchmark Activities

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