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News Release

NASEMSO to Meet in Providence, May 21-24

May 18, 2018 (Falls Church, Va.) The National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) will hold its Annual Meeting in Providence, Rhode Island, May 21-24, 2018. The national conference brings together state emergency medical services (EMS) officials from the nation's 56 state and territorial EMS offices, federal officials with a role in EMS, and affiliated organizations and individuals with an interest in emergency medical services. State EMS officials include those who license ambulance services and EMS personnel (paramedics, EMTs and emergency medical responders) in their respective states, as well as physician medical directors, EMS data managers, pediatric emergency care managers, trauma system managers, and emergency preparedness coordinators. The meeting takes place at the Omni Providence.

The state EMS officials will meet in council and committee meetings for the first two days followed by educational sessions on Wednesday and Thursday. Some highlights of the meeting include *EMS Lessons Learned from Tragedy--the Las Vegas Shooting*, presented by the assistant chief of EMS who was on the scene at the nation's deadliest mass shooting (Wednesday afternoon). State health officials from Massachusetts and Rhode Island will be sharing information on response to the opioid crisis (Thursday afternoon). Rhode Island's Stroke Systems of Care, including the role of EMS to get the "right patient to the right hospital" will be presented (Thursday afternoon).

The attendees will be welcomed at the opening ceremony on Wednesday, May 23, by Lt. Governor Daniel McKee, Director of Health Nicole Alexander-Scott, MD, MPH, and Jason Rhodes, chief of the Center for EMS at the Rhode Island Department of Health.

More information about the meeting is available at <http://nasemso.org/AnnualMeeting2018/>

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