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## Sue Prentiss Is First REPLICA Advocate

**August 22, 2016 (Falls Church, Va.)** – Association and Society Management International, Inc. (ASMI) announced today that Sue Prentiss, MPA, NREMT-P, has been hired on behalf of the National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) as the first REPLICA advocate and her role in this capacity begins immediately. The advocate will work primarily with state emergency medical services (EMS) officials, leadership from within the state EMS systems, interstate compact experts, the National Registry of EMTs (NREMT), and other interstate compact commissions to assist and enable states that are filing, or supportive of the Recognition of EMS Personnel Licensure Interstate CompAct (REPLICA) legislation with informational needs. She also will retrieve and assess materials from other compact commissions and expert sources, work closely with the states that have enacted the law, and prepare drafts of materials that will be needed upon activation of REPLICA and the outset of commission proceedings.

"I am honored to have this opportunity to work on one of the most important initiatives before EMS community and its partners today," said Ms. Prentiss. "The REPLICA project represents an important intersection in the advancement of our profession while increasing access to EMS for our patients in all corners of the country."

"We couldn't ask for more qualifications from Sue," stated NASEMSO President Paul Patrick, EMS director, State of Utah. "She spent more than a decade as a state EMS official, eight and a half years of which was as the state EMS director, she's a paramedic, local elected official, and former Congressional legislative assistant. Sue will be an invaluable asset to states enacting REPLICA as well as those that already have."

Ms. Prentiss is uniquely qualified to take on this challenge and advance REPLICA across the United States. Since 2010 she has served as manager of emergency medical services at the Concord Hospital Emergency Department (NH). From 1999-2010 she was with the State of New Hampshire as trauma coordinator (four years) and from 2002-2010 as the EMS bureau chief, supervising the day-to-day operations of the bureau, including four field offices, 10 full time staff, and 14 part-time staff. Previous positions include: chief administrator, Woodville Rescue Ambulance; project director, Rural Health Outreach Project; assistant director of public relations, Sandage Advertising and Marketing; special projects coordinator, Office of United States Congressman Peter Smith (VT); and legislative assistant, Office of United States Senator Robert T. Stafford (VT).

Ms. Prentiss holds several certifications, including: National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians – Paramedic; American Heart Association – Advanced Cardiac Life Support; American Heart Association – CPR for the Healthcare Provider; and New England Council for EMS Instructor – Coordinator Program. She was published in 2007 in *STROKE*, Journal of the American Heart Association and has presented at conferences more than 34 times since 2001 as a subject matter expert.

Ms. Prentiss currently is serving her fourth two-year term (expires March 2017) as the local legislator representing Ward 1 on the Lebanon, New Hampshire, city council. Ms. Prentiss has been elected the assistant mayor for the past two years.

Ms. Prentiss earned a B.A. in Sociology from Saint Michael's College and an MPA from the University of Phoenix. She attended the program for senior executives in state and local government at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, in July 2014, and earned a Certification in Paramedic Education from the New England Institute, Elliot Hospital.

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*REPLICA is a project finalized by the National Association of EMS Officials in September 2014. In one of the most labor intensive projects of national significance in NASEMSO's history, it brought together industry partners and experts in the field of interstate compacts together to develop model legislation for states' consideration and enactment: the Recognition of EMS Personnel Licensure Interstate CompAct (REPLICA). Learn more at [www.emsreplica.org](http://www.emsreplica.org).*