

# National Association of State EMS Officials



## Air Medical Committee Strategic Plan Priorities and Strategies 2013-2014

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- ▶ Mobile Integrated Health - Community Paramedicine Committee
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### Mission

The mission of the Air Medical Committee of the National Association of State EMS Officials is to provide technical assistance for and representation of States in recognizing air medical services (AMS) as fundamentally medical resources that require effective integration into the EMS system. The Air Medical Committee is committed to ensure that states coordinate their oversight of AMS operations in a manner that will support effective AMS use in state EMS and health care systems and appropriate use in meeting patient care and emergency system planning and response needs.

### Vision

The Vision of the Air Medical Committee is to work collaboratively with federal partners to ensure that effective medical oversight of AMS and integration of air medical services in regionalized or statewide systems of care is accomplished through evidence-based clinical practices and coordinated as part of the state regulatory process.

***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.

***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  
2012 - 20143***

The Air Medical Committee supports Leadership through:

- Develop or enhance collaborative relationships among national organizations, Federal partners, and others as appropriate). (SP1)
- Maintain active liaison relationships with NHTSA, CDC, FAA, NTSB, and various industry partners.
- Provide representation, as requested, to participate on federal and national committees as they relate to AMS activities.
- Seek permanent recognition as a “Mission-Specific Standing Committee” pursuant to the NASEMSO Bylaws. (SP2)
  - Reorganize and reactivate AM Committee
  - Evaluate need to include in 2014 bylaws revision process.
- Develop model documents that will support statewide implementation of national recommendations and guidelines related to the use and availability of helicopter emergency medical transport during emergency medical response system planning. (SP3)
  - Develop model documents that will support statewide implementation of a prehospital transport protocol founded upon, and consistent with, the FICEMS HEMS evidence-based guideline development process.

***NASEMSO strategy and planning under:***

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

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.

***System Development Strategic Priorities 2012 - 2013***

The Air Medical Committee supports system development through:

- Provide technical assistance, tools, resources and information that help states provide oversight for air medical services. (SP4)
- Conduct bimonthly AM committee calls to keep members informed of AM activities and to seek involvement of NASEMSO members or designees on clinical and healthcare system integration issues.
- Post and update appropriate documents on a designated section of the NASEMSO website.
- Create or revise model documents to ensure value and consistency. (SP5)
- Draft and disseminate Model State Air Medical Rules with input from state EMS directors and state AG's
- Compare to US DOT guidance and adjust for conformity when that document is made available.

***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 2012 - 2013***

The Air Medical Committee supports Performance Improvement through:

- Produce ancillary documents, such as “best practices” or other tools as needed. (SP6)
- Establish a compendium of air medical statutes, regulations, or policies by state
- Support participation in and presentations at national meetings of partner organizations to build and enhance collaborative relationships. (SP7)

**Strategic Priority 1:** Develop or enhance collaborative relationships among national organizations, Federal partners, and others as appropriate.

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 1.1 – Maintain active liaison relationships with NHTSA, CDC, FAA, NTSB, and various industry partners.			
Activity 1.2 - Provide representation, as requested, to participate on federal and national committees as they relate to AMS activities.			

**Benchmark Activities**

date	activity	who	notes

**Strategic Priority 2:** Seek permanent recognition as a “Mission-Specific Standing Committee” pursuant to the NASEMSO Bylaws.

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 2.1 - Reorganize and reactivate AM Committee			
Activity 2.2 - Evaluate need to include in 2014 bylaws revision process.			

**Benchmark Activities**

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**Strategic Priority 3:** Develop model documents that will support statewide implementation of national recommendations and guidelines related to the use and availability of helicopter emergency medical transport during emergency medical response system planning.

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 3.1 – Develop model documents that will support statewide implementation of a prehospital transport protocol founded upon, and consistent with, the FICEMS HEMS evidence-based guideline development process.			
Activity 3.2 -			
Activity 3.3 -			
Activity 3.4-			

**Benchmark Activities**

date	activity	who	notes



**Strategic Priority 4:** Provide technical assistance, tools, resources and information that help states provide oversight for air medical services

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 4.1 – Conduct bimonthly AM committee calls to keep members informed of AM activities and to seek involvement of NASEMSO members or designees on clinical and healthcare system integration issues.			
Activity 4.2 – Post and update appropriate documents on a designated section of the NASEMSO website.			
Activity 4.3 –			

**Benchmark Activities**

date	activity	who	notes

**Strategic Priority 5**

Create or revise model documents to ensure value and consistency.

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 5.1 – Draft and disseminate Model State Air Medical Rules with input from state EMS directors and state AG’s			
Activity 5.2 - Compare to US DOT guidance and adjust for conformity when that document is made available.			

**Benchmark Activities**

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**Strategic Priority 6**

Produce ancillary documents, such as “best practices” or other tools as needed.

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 6.1 – Establish a compendium of air medical statutes, regulations, or policies by state.			
Activity 6.2 –			
Activity 6.3 –			
Activity 6.4-			
Activity 6.5-			

**Benchmark Activities**

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**Strategic Priority 7**

Support participation in and presentations at national meetings of partner organizations to build and enhance collaborative relationships

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 7.1 – As funding is available to support			

**Benchmark Activities**

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**Strategic Priority 8**

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 8.1 –			
Activity 8.2-			

**Benchmark Activities**

date	activity	who	notes

**Strategic Priority 9**

Activity	Lead	Timeline	Status
Activity 9.1 –			

**Benchmark Activities**

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