



**Highway Incident and Transportation Systems (HITS)
Committee Meeting
October 12, 2022
3:00 PM EDT**

Meeting Record

Attending – Sam Hurley, Chair (ME), David Harden (AZ), Molly Terebieniec (LA), Tim Wilson (NE), Jaime Vallejo (TX), Marty Link (SD), Sabrina Kerr (MI), Alissa Morrison, Mike Hall (FL), Mindy Carter (VA), Johnny Wagner (MI), J. Clay Mann (NEMSIS TAC). For NASEMSO: Dia Gainor, Mary Hedges, Lynn Dommel

Presentation: National Roadway Safety Strategy, Post-Crash Care – Dr. Clay Mann presented the Post Crash Care report that the NEMSIS TAC recently developed. It was created in response to USDOT Secretary Buttigieg’s January 2022 release of the National Roadway Safety Strategy. See <https://nemsis.org/post-crash-care-ems-response-to-mvc-injuries/> The data is from 2018 forward from the NEMSIS data repository and FARS data. Rate is used instead of count due to the variation in submitting states/agencies over the years. Demographic data and severity of injury are reported. Dr. Mann noted that the report is updated weekly and posted on the website on Tuesday mornings. Sam Hurley asked him to discuss how state EMS offices can use the data. Dr. Mann commented that the real time nature of the data make it useful for surveillance and identifying hot spots. The federal government has grant funding available, but the states would have to be willing to release some demographic information. Dia added that even the de-identified data in the MVC Dashboard should be of great interest to state offices of highway safety. David Harden asked if the categories and percentages will be the same in the 405 funding as in the past. Dia does not know but believes it is likely to change since they are promulgating new rules now. Sam asked about the quality of data, acknowledging that is a problem in his state. Dr. Mann said they intend to address data quality with a new position at NASEMSO that has been funded by NHTSA.

Review & Approval of June 22, 2022 Meeting Record (attached) – Dave Harden moved approval of the minutes as submitted. Mike Hall seconded. Motion passed.

New NEMSIS Liaison Position at NASEMSO – Dia Gainor previously announced that NASEMSO is hiring a full time NEMSIS Liaison to support the Data Managers Council and other data related activities. They are expanding the search for qualified applicants.

Developing Data Standard for Ambulance Crashes (NEW) – Sam Hurley suggested developing a national data standard for ambulance crashes so that states can compare ambulance crashes from state to state. He does not expect action today but wanted to raise the issue. David Harden asked about getting ambulance crash data nationwide. Sam questioned whether good data exists. Johnny Wagner said Michigan is working on linking state police crash data to EMS data via biospatial. Clay Mann said that while ambulance crash is not a national NEMSIS element, 18 states collect this information.

Struck-by Data Base Reporting System - Dia Gainor explained that the Federal government contracted with ERSI to develop a struck-by database. NASEMSO provided feedback during a webinar that ERSI hosted to seek input when developing the form, but NASEMSO’s recommendations were not included. See <https://www.respondersafety.com/news/news/2021/12/emergency-responder-safety->

[institute-launches-reportstruckby-com-to-collect-critical-roadway-response-struck-by-incident-data-directly-from-first-responders/](#)

The form ERSI developed is available here:

<https://www.respondersafety.com/media/appn3k5m/fhwa-ersi-struck-by-reporting-form.pdf>

Sam suggested distributing the form to HITS Committee members for feedback.

Action Item: Mary Hedges will distribute the form to members requesting feedback. David Harden will work with Sam Hurley to review and compile the feedback to submit to ERSI.

Project and Committee Updates – deferred due to lack of time.

- Model Minimum Uniform Crash Criteria (MMUCC) Revision Status – Eric Chaney
<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2022/07/05/2022-14240/model-minimum-uniform-crash-criteria-mmucc-committee>
- New Ambulance Crash Statistics – Dave Bryson
- Impacts of Connected, Automated Vehicle (CAV) Technologies on Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Response (NCHRP Project) – Sam Hurley
- Road to Zero Coalition – Dia
- TIM Executive Leadership Group – Dia/Sam

Sam indicated the project and committee updates will be covered at the next meeting. He asked if members had other suggestions for the next meeting agenda. David Harden suggested including a recap from committee members on activities in their state for Crash Responder Safety Week, which will take place November 14 – 18, 2022. For more information about this TIM initiative, see

[https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/tim/crash_responder.htm#:~:text=Crash%20Responder%20Safety%20Week%20\(CRSW\)%20takes%20place%20November%2014%20%E2%80%93%20public%20safe%20around%20traffic%20incidents](https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/tim/crash_responder.htm#:~:text=Crash%20Responder%20Safety%20Week%20(CRSW)%20takes%20place%20November%2014%20%E2%80%93%20public%20safe%20around%20traffic%20incidents)

Adjourn – The meeting adjourned at 4:03 PM ET.

Next Meeting – December 14, 2022