# NHTSA Office of EMS

March 2023 Medical Directors Council
Update



## Today's NHTSA Office of EMS

**Our Mission** 

Reduce death and disability by providing leadership and coordination to the EMS community in assessing, planning, developing, and promoting comprehensive, evidence-based emergency medical services and 911 systems.

## Upcoming Due Dates 2023-2024



FFY24-26 Triennial HSP: July 1, 2023
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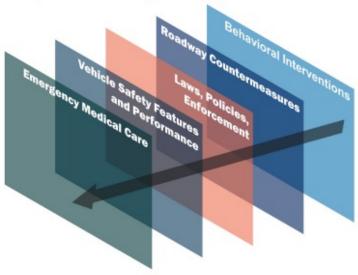


FY24 Annual Grant Application: August 1, 2023

## The Objectives

- Safer people
- Safer Roads
- Safer Vehicles
- Safer Speeds
- Post-Crash Care

All layers of a Safe System Approach are critical.



#### National Roadway Safety Strategy

United States Department of Transportation | January 2022







# POST-CRASH CARE &

Provide

Expedient Access
to Emergency
Medical Care



# **Key DOT Post-Crash Care Actions in NRSS**



• Improve EMS delivery focusing on delivering quality care quickly & safely



 Expand use of & support for NEMSIS -National Emergency Medical Services Information System



 Advance Traffic Incident Management (TIM) training & technologies to improve responder & motorist safety





### National Roadway Safety Strategy

# USDOT will leverage the funding and policies in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to bring this strategy to life:

- Nearly \$14 billion in NEW funding for road safety including:
  - \$6 billion authorized for a new Safe Streets and Roads for All program to fund local efforts to reduce crashes and fatalities
  - ~ \$4 billion added to HSIP
  - ~ \$4 billion for improved data collection,
     vehicle safety programs, and truck safety

#### In the Senate of the United States,

August 10, 2021.

Resolved, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 3684) entitled "An Act to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes.", do pass with the following

#### AMENDMENT:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

- 1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 2 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the "In-
- 3 frastructure Investment and Jobs Act".
- 4 (b) Table of Contents for
- 5 this Act is as follows:
- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. References.

DIVISION A—SURFACE TRANSPORTATION

Sec. 10001. Short title.

Sec. 10002. Definitions.

Sec. 10003. Effective date.

# National EMS Advisory Council Post-Crash Care Letter Recommendations



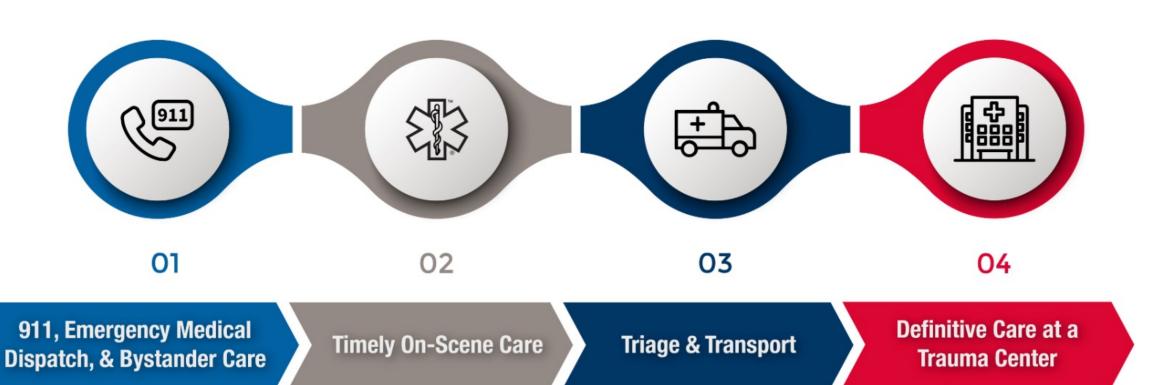
- Encourage SHSOs to:
  - address EMS workforce shortages challenging underserved regions
  - invest in migration to Next Generation 911 (NG911) to facilitate integration of Advanced
     Automatic Collison Notification (AACN) into local emergency response systems
  - Sponsor highway incident management training projects w/ state EMS offices & others
- Enhance incident notification systems to warn drivers of approaching roadway hazards
- Encourage adoption of Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) widely so all 911 calls receive evidence-based pre-arrival instructions
- Fund education campaigns & adoption of revised National Trauma Field Triage Guidelines
- Fund development & encourage training for safe extrication of MVC victims
- <a href="https://www.ems.gov/assets/NEMSAC-Letter-to-NHTSA---finalized-11-3-22-(003).pdf">https://www.ems.gov/assets/NEMSAC-Letter-to-NHTSA----finalized-11-3-22-(003).pdf</a>







## **Seamless Care Transitions Improve Patient Outcomes**









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