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## **NASEMSO News**

# NASEMSO Plans In-Person Annual Meeting in November 2021

In light of the prolonged national emergency, the challenge of attempting an in-person annual meeting in June of this year has been regularly acknowledged and discussed by the NASEMSO Executive Committee. The meeting originally scheduled for this summer has been postponed to November 14-18, 2021. Information about the 2021 Annual Meeting in Reno can be found at here.

## McGinnis Reappointed to PSAC Executive Committee

The FirstNet Authority has announced the reappointment of NASEMSO Program Manager, Kevin McGinnis, to the Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) Executive Committee for the March 2021-March 2022 term. The mission of the PSAC is to assist FirstNet in carrying out its duties and responsibilities. Congratulations, Kevin!

# NACCHO Partners with NASEMSO to Highlight Older Adult Fall Prevention

The National Association of County & City Health Officials with support from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), launched Developing the Capacity to Support Older Adult Falls Prevention, a project to help local health departments strengthen their capacity to identify older adults at risk for falls, assess modifiable risk factors, and link older adults to clinical resources and community programs to mitigate fall risk. Community partners, such as first responders, are often key to fall prevention efforts. NACCHO began working with the National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) in 2019 to conduct an environmental scan to identify fall prevention models that are integrated into community paramedicine. Once identified, NASEMSO and NACCHO conducted focus groups with key informants identified by the community paramedicine programs. The goals of these focus groups were to better understand different models of fall prevention programs, including their successes and challenges. The results of these efforts are now available as a NACCHO Issue Brief here.

# **Our Latest Report: EMS Personnel as Vaccinators**

Information from every state, the District of Columbia, Guam, and American Samoa as of the first week of February 2021 are represented in a new NASEMSO report, which is being updated as more information becomes available. Graphical analysis of conditions of the state level allowance as a function of scope of practice displays EMS personnel capability broken down by level of EMS personnel licensure in the states. Readers should note that these conditions continue to change, and that additional requirements may have to be met at the local/agency level before intramuscular vaccination administration can be performed. <a href="https://nasemso.org/wp-content/uploads/COVID-Vaccination-Report.pdf">https://nasemso.org/wp-content/uploads/COVID-Vaccination-Report.pdf</a>

# NASEMSO Partners with BJA, TASC, and COSSAP on EMS Responses to Opioid OD

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities

(TASC) Center for Health and Justice, and Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP) team recently partnered with NASEMSO on the "Innovative EMS Response to Overdoses—Beyond Naloxone" webinar which was held on February 25, 2021, and facilitated by TASC's Center for Health and Justice. The recording is available on the COSSAP Resource Center at here.

## FirstNet Authority Spotlights NASEMSO

The FirstNet Authority's Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) is currently highlighting its partnership with NASEMSO here. NASEMSO is grateful for the progress that has been made in the network but in particular, the collaborative relationship we enjoy with the program!! Thank you, FirstNet!

In related news, more than 15,000 agencies and organizations – accounting for more than 2 million connections nationwide – have subscribed to FirstNet. As public safety's network partner, AT&T has moved quickly to bring more coverage, boost capacity and drive new capabilities for first responders and the communities they serve – rural, urban and tribal. In 2020, the network added nearly 100,000 square miles to the FirstNet coverage footprint. Read more on this effort here.

# Organizational Coalition Publishes Updated Ambulance Equipment List

NASEMSO joins several organizational partners in revising the "Recommended Essential Equipment for Basic Life Support and Advanced Life Support Ground Ambulances 2020: A Joint Position Statement." The update is now available in Prehospital Emergency Care at <a href="here">here</a>.

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## **For The States**

# OCR Proposes Changes to HIPAA Rules; Comment Period Extended

As reported in the last issue of WU, the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) recently announced proposed changes to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy Rule to support individuals' engagement in their care, remove barriers to coordinated care, and reduce regulatory burdens on the health care industry. The proposed changes to the HIPAA Privacy Rule include strengthening individuals' rights to access their own health information, including electronic information; improving information sharing for care coordination and case management for individuals; facilitating greater family and caregiver involvement in the care of individuals experiencing emergencies or health crises; enhancing flexibilities for disclosures in emergency or threatening circumstances, such as the Opioid and COVID-19 public health emergencies; and reducing administrative burdens on HIPAA covered health care providers and health plans, while continuing to protect individuals' health information privacy interests. Public comments on the NPRM will are now due 5/6/21. The NPRM may be viewed or downloaded at <a href="https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/01/21/2020-27157/proposed-modifications-to-the-hipaa-privacy-rule-to-support-and-remove-barriers-to-coordinated-care">https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/01/21/2020-27157/proposed-modifications-to-the-hipaa-privacy-rule-to-support-and-remove-barriers-to-coordinated-care</a>

# SAMHSA Announces New SUD Block Grant Opportunities

The Biden Administration will provide nearly \$2.5 billion in funding to states and territories to address the nation's mental illness and addiction crisis, which has worsened during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), will direct \$1.65 billion in Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant funding and \$825 million in Community Mental Health Services Block Grant funding to states and territories. The Community Mental Health Services Block Grant program allows states and territories to provide comprehensive community mental health services and address needs and gaps in existing treatment services for those with severe mental health conditions. The Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant program allows states and territories to plan, implement and evaluate activities to prevent and treat substance use disorder. This funding will also allow recipients to maximize efficiency in existing treatment and recovery infrastructure, promote support for providers and address unique local needs to deliver substance use disorder prevention. Read more at https://www.samhsa.gov/newsroom/press-announcements/202103110230.

# NASEM Evaluates Implications of Discarded Drugs

Many prescription medications are dispensed in weight-based single-dose vials containing standard amounts of drugs that exceeds required dosages for the average patient, leading to billions of dollars in leftover single use medications that are destroyed. The National Academies with support from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services through a congressional mandate initiated this study to examine federal health care costs, patient safety, and quality concerns associated with discarded drugs resulting from weight-based dosing of medicines contained in single-dose vials, and to produce a report which shall include recommendations to Congress to reduce waste in the biopharmaceutical supply chain. Read the new report, "Medications inn Single Dose Vials: Implications of Discarded Drugs," at <a href="https://www.nationalacademies.org/our-work/implications-of-discarded-weight-based-drugs">https://www.nationalacademies.org/our-work/implications-of-discarded-weight-based-drugs</a>.

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## Air Medical

### FAA Announces Effective Dates for Final Drone Rules

The final rules requiring remote identification of drones and allowing some flights over people, over moving vehicles and at night under certain conditions will go into effect on April 21, 2021.

Remote identification (Remote ID) requires identification of drones in flight as well as the location of their control stations or takeoff point. It provides crucial information to our national security and law enforcement partners, and other officials charged with ensuring public safety. Airspace awareness reduces the risk of drone interference with other aircraft, people and property on the ground. Read more at <a href="https://www.faa.gov/news/updates/?newsId=97022">https://www.faa.gov/news/updates/?newsId=97022</a>.

## Laser Strikes Increase Even with Fewer Planes Flying

Laser strikes against pilots increased in 2020 even with the overall decrease in air traffic operations. In 2020, pilots reported 6,852 laser strikes to the FAA. This is an increase from 6,136 laser strikes reported in 2019 and is the highest number reported to the agency since 2016. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) remains vigilant in raising awareness about misuse of lasers when they are pointed towards aircraft. Intentionally aiming lasers at an aircraft poses a safety threat to pilots and violates federal law. Many high-powered lasers can incapacitate pilots flying aircraft that may be carrying hundreds of passengers. The FAA works closely with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to pursue civil and criminal penalties against people who purposely aim a laser at an aircraft. The agency takes enforcement action against people who violate Federal Aviation Regulations by shining lasers at aircraft and can impose civil penalties of up to \$11,000 per violation. The FAA has imposed civil penalties up to \$30,800 against people for multiple laser incidents. Please watch the FAA video about the dangers of lasers, statistics on laser strikes and read the fact sheet for more information.

# **EMS Physician Organizations Provide Position Statement on Medical Oversight of Air Med Services**

Recognizing the importance of providing focused guidance on the topic of physician oversight of air-based EMS, NAEMSP®, the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP), and the Air Medical Physicians Association (AMPA) collaborated to publish a new position statement: "Physician Oversight of Air-Based Emergency Medical Services: A Joint Position Statement of NAEMSP, ACEP, and AMPA" that has been published in Prehospital Emergency Care athttps://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/10903127.2020.1863534.

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## **Communications**

## "State of 911" Webinar Series Archive Available

Hosted by the National 911 Program, the State of 911 Webinar Series brings together NG911 early adopter case studies and Federal and 911 community resources, to provide a combination of useful tools, expert advice, and real stories about NG911 transitions. The program recently hosted "NG911 Rollout: National and State Perspectives" on March 9. In case you missed it, this and all previous webinars are available for viewing at <a href="https://www.911.gov/webinars.html">https://www.911.gov/webinars.html</a>.

In related news, April is National 911 Education Month. The National Public Safety Telecommunicator week will be held April 11-17 2021. Read more and download resources to honor these critical partners at <a href="https://www.npstw.org">https://www.npstw.org</a>.

## FirstNet Authority Seeks Board Nominations

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) has initiated the annual process to seek expressions of interest from individuals who would like to serve on the Board of the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet Authority Board). The terms of 11 of the 12 non-permanent members to the FirstNet Authority Board will be available for appointment and reappointment in 2021. The deadline for applications is April 5, 2021. Read more at <a href="https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/03/04/2021-04473/recruitment-of-first-responder-network-authority-board-members">https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/03/04/2021-04473/recruitment-of-first-responder-network-authority-board-members</a>.

# T-CPR Protocol Inconsistencies Highlighted by *The Atlantic*

Telephone CPR is highlighted in a new article in The Atlantic titled "The Conversation That Can Change the Course of a Cardiac Arrest," questioning why all 9-1-1 dispatchers aren't required to provide caller instructions. In particular the author reflects, "The main obstacle to scaling up T-CPR, however, remains the patchwork nature of 911 itself. Though the national system is coordinated by the Federal Communications Commission, 32 states have adopted "home rule," meaning that 911 and other services fall under local or regional control. As a result, implementing universal, consistent T-CPR programs is slowed by funding and staffing shortages and communication problems. Read the article at <a href="https://www.theatlantic.com/health/archive/2021/02/tcpr-telephone-cpr-can-save-lives/618145/">https://www.theatlantic.com/health/archive/2021/02/tcpr-telephone-cpr-can-save-lives/618145/</a>.

## **Data**

# NEMSIS Presentation: Use of Universally Unique Identifier Outside the NEMSIS Standard

In this training, N. Clay Mann discussed how states, trauma registries, and other state/national registries can utilize the Universally Unique Identifier (UUID) that is included in the NEMSIS v3.5.0 Data Standard. The presentation is designed for state/territory offices of EMS and trauma registry programs although any interested Stakeholders are welcome to watch.

Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=utc2e3swfZ8

## **Health and Medical Preparedness**

# DHS S&T "Quick Route" App Assists First Responders With Navigation Tool

The Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology Directorate worked with technology company, Azimuth1 LLC to develop a navigational routing app that understands the conditions and constraints emergency vehicle operators face and helps them to respond efficiently. The app addresses more challenges than a typical GPS application, including narrow lanes, inclement weather, downed power lines, and other hazards. The iOS version is now available in the Apple store. Currently, the civilian version is available free of charge. The version for emergency service vehicles requires a special code to be provided by the developer and is available at a monthly cost of approximately \$10. Azimuth is inviting agencies across the country to demo QuickRoute, along with the ECC component dispatchers use to send destinations directly to individual users, who can respond using QuickRoute's optimized vehicle routing protocols. Read more. At <a href="https://www.dhs.gov/science-and-technology/news/2019/06/04/snapshot-new-app-provides-responders-fastest-safest-path">https://www.dhs.gov/science-and-technology/news/2019/06/04/snapshot-new-app-provides-responders-fastest-safest-path</a>.

# DHS POINTER Technology Locates First Responders in Low Visibility Rescues

The Department of Homeland Security Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) teamed with NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory to develop Precision Outdoor and Indoor Navigation and Tracking for Emergency Responders (POINTER), a groundbreaking first responder tracking technology that uses magnetoquasistatic fields to three-dimensionally locate responders during emergencies—especially when visibility is low due to heavy smoke or debris. With POINTER, incident command can pinpoint team members within one centimeter. Read more at https://www.dhs.gov/science-and-technology/pointer.

# TFAH Annual "Ready or Not" Report on Public Health Now Available

The Trust for America's Health (TFAH) has released its latest edition of "Ready or Not 2021: Protecting the Public's Health Against Diseases, Disasters and Bioterrorism." The Ready or Not report series provides an annual assessment of states' level of readiness to respond to public health emergencies. It recommends policy actions to ensure that everyone's health is protected during such events. This 2021 edition tiers states into three performance categories – high, middle and low - and includes action steps states should take to improve their readiness while battling COVID-19 and for the next health emergency. Read more at <a href="https://www.tfah.org/report-details/ready-or-not-2021/">https://www.tfah.org/report-details/ready-or-not-2021/</a>.

## FEMA Updates EMS Credentialing in RTLT

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recently published minimal updates to its Resource Typing Library Tool (RTLT), used to requested EMS mutual aid resources under NIMS. Following a public comment period last year, FEMA updated the EMS references to the National EMS Scope of Practice Model (to the 2019 version) and noted that Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians may not be available in all jurisdictions. The RTLT is an online catalogue of national resource typing definitions, position qualifications, and Position Task Books provided by the National Integration Center at <a href="https://rtlt.preptoolkit.fema.gov/public">https://rtlt.preptoolkit.fema.gov/public</a>. (The editor would like to take this opportunity to remind personnel and agencies interested in assisting a mutual aid response through EMAC during a large scaled disaster of the need to review and ensure compliance with the training and immunization requirements well in advance of any deployment.)

# New FEMA Playbook on Community Vaccination Centers

FEMA has released a <u>playbook</u> that provides guidance for providing federal support to existing and new Community Vaccination Centers (CVCs) that are essential to accomplishing the COVID-19 vaccine mission. The document includes information on interagency coordination, resource support, facility setup, and other requirements that may necessitate federal support.

# **USAMRIID Pocket Guide Available to First Responders**

The US Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases (USAMRIID) has created a (FREE) app based on a pocket sized hand book that is given out at the MCBC course that USAMRIID Hosts (Medical Management of Chemical and Biological Casualties course). The course, pocket reference guide to bio-agent / toxins and the APP are for military and civilian clinicians and anyone out in hospitals or emergency first responders. The USAMRIID Biodefense Tool can be downloaded now for free. For iPhone and iPad, go to the Apple App Store: https://apps.apple.com/us/app/usamriids-biodefense-tool/id1507753114

For Android users go to Google Play:

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.tradocmobile.bio&hl=en&gl=US

# **FEMA Seeks Members for the National Advisory Council**

The FEMA National Advisory Council seeks qualified individuals to lend their expertise and serve on this standing federal committee. FEMA is now accepting applications for up to one dozen discipline-specific and Administrator-selected positions that will advise the FEMA Administrator on all aspects of emergency management. Individuals appointed to the council bring their experience and diversity of views to provide the Administrator consensus recommendations on a broad range of issues. Discipline-specific positions include cybersecurity, communications, in-patient medical provider, elected local official, emergency management and emergency response provider. If you are interested in applying to serve on the National Advisory Council, please submit an application package to <a href="mailto:FEMA-NAC@fema.dhs.gov">FEMA-NAC@fema.dhs.gov</a>. For more information about applying to the council, visit the <a href="mailto:FEMA NAC Membership Application page">FEMA-NAC @fema.dhs.gov</a>. For

# FCC Announces Emergency Broadband Benefit Program

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) recently announced the Emergency Broadband Benefit to help households struggling to pay for internet service during the pandemic. This new benefit will connect eligible households to jobs, critical healthcare services, and virtual classrooms. The Emergency Broadband Benefit will provide a discount of up to \$50 per month towards broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute \$10-\$50 toward the purchase price. The Emergency Broadband Benefit is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household. Read more at https://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit.

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## **HITS**

# NTSB's 2021-2022 "Most Wanted" List of Transportation Safety Improvements

Join the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) on **April 6, 2021**, at 9:30 AM (DST), for a Board meeting on our 2021 – 2022 Most Wanted List of Transportation Safety Improvements (MWL). To provide greater transparency, the new MWL will be determined during a virtual public board meeting. Attendees will learn how the NTSB produced the 2021 – 2022 list and why these safety concerns are important to the traveling public. The NTSB's MWL highlights transportation safety improvements needed now to save lives, reduce injuries, and prevent accidents. The Board uses the list to focus its advocacy efforts during the current MWL cycle. Read more at <a href="https://www.ntsb.gov/news/events/Pages/2021-mwl-bmg.aspx">https://www.ntsb.gov/news/events/Pages/2021-mwl-bmg.aspx</a>.

## Pediatric Emergency Care

# Nominations Sought for AAP & NAEMT Pediatric EMS Award

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT) are accepting nominations for the 2021 AAP/NAEMT Pediatric EMS Award. Deadline to apply: June 28, 2021. This award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated excellence in providing pediatric EMS care and/or education. Qualified nominees are considered based on the criteria below. Nomination statements should include information on how the nominee:

- Consistently demonstrates commitment to high-quality, professional EMS care to pediatric patients.
- · Serves as an outstanding role model for colleagues.
- Introduces and incorporates evidence-based best practices in his/her work.
- Effectively mentors EMS practitioners in best practices in pediatric EMS care.
- · Any other relevant information provided in support of the nominee.

Please submit nominations and supporting materials to:

https://www.naemt.org/initiatives/national-ems-awards/pediatric-ems-award

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# **Systems of Care**

# AHA Publishes New Recommendations for Transporting Stroke Patients

The American Heart Association (AHA) has published new recommendations for prehospital triage and transport of stroke patients. A consensus statement, developed through the Prehospital Stroke System of Care Consensus Conference and <u>published in the AHA journal Stroke</u>, outlines guiding principles for determining transport destinations in rural, suburban and urban communities. The statement comes from the American Academy of Neurology, American Heart Association/American Stroke Association, American Society of Neuroradiology, National Association of EMS Physicians, **National Association of State EMS Officials**, Society of NeuroInterventional Surgey and Society of Vascular and Interventional Neurology, and is endorsed by The Neurocritical Care Society.

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## Federal News

## **NASEM Dementia Care Interventions Report Release**

Whether you realize it or not, about 44 million Americans provide 37 billion hours of unpaid, "informal" care each year for adult family members and friends with chronic illnesses or conditions that prevent them from handling daily activities such as bathing, managing medications or preparing meals on their own, including some of you that are reading this newsletter. "Meeting the Challenge of Caring for Persons Living with Dementia and Their Care Partners and Caregivers: A Way Forward", a new publication from the National Academies of Science Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM), examines the complex body of evidence on dementia care and informs decision making about which interventions are ready to be broadly disseminated and implemented. It also offers a blueprint to guide future research using

rigorous, cutting-edge methods that are inclusive, equitable, and yield critical information for real-world implementation, toward the ultimate goal of better supporting persons living with dementia and their care partners and caregivers in living as well as possible. A worthwhile read (download free in pdf) for those dealing with the effects of dementia care, read more at <a href="https://www.nap.edu/catalog/26026/meeting-the-challenge-of-caring-for-persons-living-with-dementia-and-their-care-partners-and-caregivers">https://www.nap.edu/catalog/26026/meeting-the-challenge-of-caring-for-persons-living-with-dementia-and-their-care-partners-and-caregivers</a>.

## NHAMCS Highlights Latest ED Visit Characteristics

Data from the National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NHAMCS) for 2018 was recently released by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC.) In 2018, there were an estimated 130 million emergency department (ED) visits in the United States. In 2019, approximately 22% of adults aged 18 and over had visited the ED in the past 12 months. This report presents ED visit rates by selected characteristics, including metropolitan statistical area (MSA), age, sex, race and ethnicity, and health insurance status. Read more at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/products/databriefs/db401.htm">https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/products/databriefs/db401.htm</a>.

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## **Industry News**

# CMS Provides a Reminder on Proper Ambulance Invoicing

In the March 11, 2021 newsletter from the Medicare Learning Network, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) offers a reminder of its 2019 report from the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) on Part B payments to ambulance suppliers for transportation services that were also included in Medicare Part A payments to Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) as part of consolidated billing requirements, perhaps signaling that CMS is still monitoring related overpayments to ambulance services. Read the 2019 report at https://oig.hhs.gov/oas/reports/region1/11700506.pdf.

## **NEMSMA and PCC Launch New Journal**

The National EMS Management Association (NEMSMA) and the Paramedic Chiefs of Canada (PCC) are proud to announce their collaboration to launch a new peer-reviewed academic publication – the *International Journal of Paramedicine*. The first issue is anticipated to be released in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2021. The *Journal* will accept submissions on a variety of clinical and non-clinical topics. It will provide a much needed forum for articles addressing leadership, system design, finance, quality improvement, education, public policy, clinical care, and other related topics. The *International Journal of Paramedicine* will strive to highlight the academic and professional contributions of paramedics. For additional information about the *Journal*, contact Mic Gunderson, Editor-In-Chief, at mic.gunderson@gmail.com.

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## **Interesting Abstracts**

Wilcock AD, Schwamm LH, Zubizarreta JR, et al. Reperfusion Treatment and Stroke Outcomes in Hospitals With Telestroke Capacity. *JAMA Neurol.* Published online March 01, 2021. doi:10.1001/jamaneurol.2021.0023.

Read the abstract here.

News: NAEMSP: EMS Should Not Administer Sedation at Police Request

SoRelle, Ruth. Emergency Medicine News. 43(3):1,35-36, March 2021.

## **UPCOMING Events**

### March

Society of Trauma Nurses Annual Meeting. March 26-27, 2021. VIRTUAL https://www.traumanurses.org/education/traumacon-2021

National EMS Safety Summit. March 31- April 2, 2021. Embassy Suites Downtown Denver. http://nationalemssafetysummit.org/

### **April**

American Trauma Society Annual Conference. April 9, 2021. VIRTUAL <a href="https://www.amtrauma.org/news/544392/Save-the-Date---April-9-2021-ATS-Virtual-Conference-.htm">https://www.amtrauma.org/news/544392/Save-the-Date----April-9-2021-ATS-Virtual-Conference-.htm</a>

EMS On The Hill Day. April 13-15, 2021. VIRTUAL

Critical Care Transport Medicine Conference. May 17-19, 2021, Orange Beach, AL https://cctmc.net

### May

National Trauma Awareness Month Theme- "Safe & Secure - Safety is a Choice, Prevention is Key." For information as it becomes available at www.amtrauma.org

Society for Academic Emergency Medicine Annual Meeting. May 11-14, 2021. VIRTUAL <a href="https://www.saem.org/annual-meeting/saem21/registration-information">https://www.saem.org/annual-meeting/saem21/registration-information</a>

EMS Week. May 16-22, 2021. EMSC Day is May 19 https://www.acep.org/administration/ems-resources/emsweek/

### June

Accreditcon. June 2-4, 2021. VIRTUAL <a href="https://www.accreditcon.org">https://www.accreditcon.org</a>

American Academy of Emergency Medicine Annual Meeting. June 20-24, 2021 St. Louis, MO. www.aaem.org

NFPA Annual Conference. Cancelled for 2021. https://www.nfpa.org/conference/index.html

#### July

Fire Rescue Med/IAFC EMS Section Annual Meeting. July 27, 2021 Charlotte, NC. https://www.iafc.org/events/frm

IAFC Annual Conference. Fire-Rescue International. July 28-31, 2021. Charlotte, NC. www.iafc.org/fri

### **August**

National Association of EMS Educators Annual Meeting. August 2-8, 2021. Orlando, FL www.naemse.org

Pinnacle 2021. August 9-13, 2021. Phoenix, AZ http://pinnacle-ems.com/

FDIC International. August 19-24, 2021. Indianapolis, IN. http://www.fdic.com/index.html

EMS Today 2021. August 24-27, 2021. San Antonio, TX <a href="http://www.emstoday.com/index.html">http://www.emstoday.com/index.html</a>

### September

Emergency Nurses Association Annual Meeting. September 22-25, 2021. Orlando, FL. www.ena.org

#### October

EMS World Expo. October 4-8 2021. Atlanta, GA. http://www.emsworldexpo.com/

IAEM EMEX 2021. October 15-22, 2021. Grand Rapids, MI. https://www.iaem.org/usconf

American College of Surgeons Clinical Congress. October 24-28, 2021. Washington, DC. <a href="https://www.facs.org/clincon2021">https://www.facs.org/clincon2021</a>

American College of Emergency Physicians Annual Meeting. October 25 - 28, 2021. Boston, MA. www.acep.org

#### November

Air Medical Transport Conference. October 31-November 2, 2021. Fort Worth, TX. http://aams.org/education-meetings/

**Revised Dates!** National Association of State EMS Officials Annual Meeting. November 14-18, 2021. Reno, NV <a href="https://www.nasemso.org">www.nasemso.org</a>

American Ambulance Association Annual Meeting. TBD. https://annual.ambulance.org/

Please use these links to access monthly course schedules and registration info related to:

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