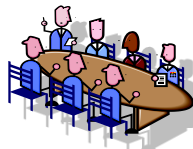




National Association of State EMS Officials

The National Association of State EMS Officials is the lead national organization for EMS, a respected voice for national EMS policy with comprehensive concern and commitment for the development of effective, integrated, community-based, universal and consistent EMS systems.





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Vision

A seamless nationwide network of coordinated and accountable state, regional and local EMS and emergency care systems. The systems use public health principles, data and evidence as a basis for safe and effective care in day-to-day operations as well as during catastrophic events.

Mission

NASEMSO supports its members in developing EMS policy and oversight, as well as in providing vision, leadership and resources in the development and improvement of state, regional and local EMS and emergency care systems.

Strategy

We achieve our mission by the participation of all the states and territories, by being a strong national voice for EMS, an acknowledged key resource for EMS information and policy, and a leader in developing and disseminating evidence-based decisions and policy.

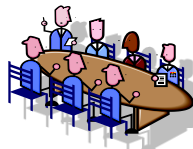




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Goals:

- To promote the orderly development of coordinated EMS systems across the nation.
- To promote uniformly high quality care of acutely ill and injured patients.
- To provide a forum for the exchange of information and the discussion of common concerns among state EMS officials.
- To facilitate interstate cooperation in such areas as patient transfer, communications and reciprocity of EMS personnel.
- To disseminate pertinent information to our membership and others.





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Goals:

- To maintain ongoing and effective liaison with state and national governments, professional organizations, and other appropriate public and private entities.
- To improve the quality and efficiency of state EMS program administration.
- To enhance the professional knowledge, skill and abilities of state EMS officials and staff.
- To encourage research and evaluation in all areas of EMS.
- To serve as a permanent national advocacy group for EMS.





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NASEMSO's councils, committees and members seek to achieve these goals through principles of **Leadership**, **Systems Development** and **Quality Improvement**.

Leadership

Systems Development

Quality Improvement – “QI”





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Leadership

Leadership refers to the role of state EMS offices as “lead agencies” for EMS as well as thoughtful leaders in public policy development. State EMS offices are looked to by the EMS community 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 practice and subsequent patient outcomes





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Systems Development

Systems Development refers to 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 NAEMSO squarely in a leadership role, demonstrating the need for state offices to coordinate the disparate functions that support effective systems. Such functions include Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMS), communications systems; regional asset coordination in daily operations and in natural and man-made disasters; EMS data collection, analysis and reporting; and ongoing review and refinement of systems operations.





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Quality Improvement – “QI”

Quality Improvement or “QI” is 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 key to QI success, and to subsequently improving patient outcomes





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