

NASEMSO Trauma Managers Council

Does your state have an active shooter protocol for EMS?

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State	Response	Links
AK	Not at the state level, but the local level like NE. At the state level we do a lot of training to active shooter based off the Hartford Consensus III and integrated training. We teach the B-Con course, and integrated TECC course for law enforcement and prehospital, PHTLS, TCCC, and mass casualty triage. Our state preparedness exercise this year is an active shooter event. Everyone has found this information very useful, including our hospitals.	
AZ	No	
AK	No	
GA	No	
ID	No. I would assume that most states do not. I worked as a tactical medic for a fair amount of years and we had very specific protocols and responses for active shooter events, however that only applied to us, and not generally to EMS as a whole. Unless you're able to mitigate the training, equipment and safety considerations, most agencies don't want to expose their providers to those situations. From my personal experiences, the EMS response tends to follow mass casualty/ICS/START triage guidelines for those types of events and they are generally coordinated through a county or 911 dispatch center.	
MI	Not that I'm aware of, there has been education presented at some of our trauma conferences about an active shooter event. Interestingly enough there was a House Bill introduced this week to require an Active Shooter alert similar to and Amber alert introduced by two State Reps from Kalamazoo where the recent horrific shootings took place.	
MN	None. It's left to the locals.	
NE	None. This would most likely exist at the local level as it would vary due to the area.	
NH	New Hampshire has a Best Practices (link in next column). Look for SOG 15 EMS in the Warm Zone. We are actively creating education that is in line with the Texas State ALERRT Center programs. Our Awareness level program, a 45 minute online program, will be out next week.	http://www.nh.gov/safety/division/sfstems/ems/BestPractices.html
NM	As each area in New Mexico may have different capabilities, we encourage everyone to create their own protocol based on their needs, resources and capabilities.	
OK	No	
SD	No—our hospitals do the leg work on that and EMS participates. They are not the lead.	
TX	No	
WY	No	