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News Release

Andy Gienapp, MS, NRP, Joins NASEMSO as Deputy Executive Director

Feb. 01, 2022 (Falls Church, Va.) Andy Gienapp, MS, NRP, joined the National Association of Emergency Medical Services Officials (NASEMSO) as the deputy executive director, a newly created position. In this role, Gienapp will be responsible for providing strategic leadership to promote and expand NASEMSO's presence and capacity as a national leader in emergency medical services. His immediate tasks will be managing the NASEMSO Workforce project and Strategic Plans for State EMS Offices project.

NASEMSO members and partners, and those in the EMS industry, likely already know Gienapp. For nearly 11 years (2010-2021), he served as the State EMS Director in Wyoming. During that time, he led Wyoming EMS stakeholders in accomplishing numerous goals that dramatically moved the state system toward a modern, integrated, and more sustainable EMS system. These goals included a complete revision and modernization of the scope of practice through administrative rules, the adoption of the National Registry of EMTs exam process as a mandatory element of the licensing process, the successful passage of legislation which made Wyoming the eighth state to join the EMS personnel licensure compact, the creation of rules and regulations formalizing the concepts and licensure of Community Paramedicine, working in conjunction with the Wyoming Medicaid Office to develop a means for reimbursement of Community Paramedicine activities, complete implementation of a mandated, statewide EMS patient reporting system, revitalization and engagement of the state's trauma system, and supporting the creation of a state EMS association.

During his tenure with Wyoming EMS, in addition, he served NASEMSO in many capacities including president-elect, member of the Board, chair of the Rural EMS Committee, co-chair of the Joint Committee on Rural Emergency Care, member of the Board for the Commission on Accreditation for Prehospital Continuing Education, and an Expert Panel member for the EMS Agenda 2050 project. Most recently, Andy contributed significantly to the National Model EMS Clinical Guidelines revision as the NASEMSO project manager for that 18 month-long effort.

"NASEMSO is fortunate to bring an individual on who has more than 35 years of multi-state EMS experience and broad involvement in projects of national significance," stated NASEMSO Executive Director Dia Gainor, MPA, NRP (ret.). "His contributions will have a positive impact on our members and work moving forward to improve systems of care for EMS in the United States."

Gienapp graduated from the University of Maryland Baltimore County with a Master of Science in Emergency Health Services. In addition, he is a nationally registered paramedic, Tennessee-licensed paramedic, and Wyoming paramedic. Andy is a recipient of the Sikorsky Lifesaving Award.

Gienapp is a Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army National Guard and has served our country since May 1989. NASEMSO and its association management company, Association and Society Management International (ASMI) salute Andy's services and proudly will support his continued service.

Gienapp has moved from Wyoming and currently lives in Georgia. He may be contacted at andy@nasemso.org.

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