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Dear Dr Patrick and Ms Armstrong,

I am trauma surgeon/ health services researcher at the Center for Surgery and Public Health in Boston. Several of my colleagues and I are submitting an R01 grant to the NIH's National Institute of Aging entitled "Comparative Effectiveness of Trauma Center Care for Older Americans". Our aim is do research that could be used by organizations such as yours to create and disseminate evidence based policies for the emergency care of injured patients. Currently we don't know if Trauma Centers actually improve survival for adults > 65yrs of age. We also don't know if certain injuries are better treated at Trauma Centers vs a non trauma center. For example a bad TBI among an older person may be best cared for at a trauma center, but perhaps an isolated hip fracture has better outcomes when treated at a community hospital- as the patient is among familiar providers and not subject to delays and other pressures present at large urban trauma centers. The Specific aims of our project are attached.

As the nations premier EMS organization we believe that the NASEMSO and its members could utilize this research to develop and set evidence policies for EMS across the country. If this is true we would like to write into the grant – just a few sentences of how this information could be used by EMS agencies. Could you help us with this? We have put into the grant that this data will be helpful to the ACS-COT, EAST guidelines committee, ATS and American Geriatric Society and have similar blurbs and very short support letters from them. We would love to include the NASEMSO to this list.

I am sure we have many mutual friends in the trauma / ems community (e.g. Chief James Robinson from Denver- we are on the same IOM

committee) and was going to write through them... but then thought I could just reach out directly. Hope that is ok.

Sincerely

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