

Meeting Information:

Date:	January 11, 2017	Time:	1:00PM-2:30PM EST
Meeting Objectives:	EMS Agenda 2050 Organizational Liaison Meeting		
Meeting Facilitator:	Mike Taigman, RedFlash Group	Location:	GoToMeeting

Agenda:

- Welcome and introductions
- Why we are here
- Discussion: Association thoughts for project success
- Process review: Agenda 2050 development
- Position review: Technical Expert Panel (TEP) & Liaison
- Association input: liaison position
- Open discussion
- Next steps and closing

Minutes:

- Introductions.
 - Mike Taigman welcomed the group and stated that he would be facilitating the meeting. He made introductions about the EMS Agenda Project.
 - Dr. Krohmer noted that this will be a stakeholder-led project that is federally-sponsored.
 - Gam Wijetunge, Noah Smith and Ray Mollers acknowledged the federal-funding partners and welcomed the group.
 - Sherry Gernhofer from Redhorse and Keith Griffiths from RedFlash introduced themselves and their respective companies.
 - Many of the organizations and liaisons made introductions.
- **Mike Taigman** asked the group to discuss their hopes as well as concerns for the project.
 - **Sabina Braithwaite (ACEP):** Hopes that the project provides a foundation to stand on for the next 50 years and that we not only look out for the patients we serve, but for the community and providers and growth of systems and the profession. She envisions something forward looking and challenging to the status quo; something we should be bold enough to advance as a group.
 - **Vincent Robbins (NEMSMA):** Envisions this effort as being broad enough to take into account unforeseen changes and various provider models; to really provide a vision for where the industry ought to go. With a diverse provider group, he hopes whatever the Agenda ends up being, it can be broad enough to include everyone.
 - **Dia Gainor (NASEMSO):** Challenges all association liaisons to read the 1996 agenda. She said it was a stunning document in its vision and foresight. She expressed concern about whether the effort is a revision or a re-write of the

current Agenda? She also expressed concern about how to achieve greater diversity than the 1996 Agenda.

- **Andy Gienapp (CAPCE):** Noted that we have very large shoes to fill. He noted that there was not a lot of language that went into the 1996 version about the importance of continuing education – what it should look like and how it should be delivered. He highlighted how much technology has changed between 1996 and 2016 and how the new Agenda will impact the rural community? He commented that there is such a strain on rural healthcare and it is hard to predict what the future is going to look like. He questioned whether the original agenda was detailed enough, but that we need a translation to the rural healthcare world. He believes the biggest challenge is that not many have read the 1996 Agenda and that whatever is produced, it must be palpable and relevant and put into the hands of the next two or three generations.
- **Dorothy Cave (APCO):** Expressed interest in how these changes will affect Emergency Medical dispatch.
- **Jonathan Washko (NAEMT):** Believes some revisions should be made and new topics not covered 20 years ago should be included. His only concern is structurally how the process will work.
- **Chris Carver (NENA):** Commented that no matter what innovations are a result of this effort, almost every emergency medical event starts at a 911 center and with dispatch. He believes changes and advances must be understood and that 911 is at the table to be able to bring transformative change to the response process.
- **Manish Shah (EMSC):** Believes this effort is a great opportunity to make what EMS does evidence based and data driven. One concern he has is, coming from an EMS for Children Program, that the needs of children will be viewed as a special population and that we need to create this vision for every single patient that could be using the EMS system.
- **John Montes (NFPA):** Would like to see something that is measurable and attainable and that the committee works closely together to ensure the message is reasonable and uniform.
- **Thomas Bryer (IAFF):** Expressed interest in seeing an evaluation of some of the objectives of the previous agenda, to show people how far we have come. He also indicated that it would be beneficial if this document built off of the 1996 Agenda.
- **Juan March (CAPCE):** Sees the biggest barriers as rapidly changing technology, sometimes difficult to imagine driverless cars and ambulances. There is technology on the horizon that we have no idea exists that might take off tomorrow. One thing to consider is needing to diversify the group to include those with technological knowledge.
- **Binnie LeHew (Safe States Alliance):** Wants to ensure the Agenda reaches as many people as possible within each representatives' network, to contribute to the process, including public health and prevention integration at the local levels.
- **Ron Patrick:** Hopes that the new vision will make it possible to deliver the recommendations, regardless of geography or agency type.
- **Dr. Toni Gross (AAP):** Explained the uniqueness of her organization, made

up of primary care physicians. She said it's important to address how EMS fits into the healthcare system. She wants to ensure the survival of the EMS system in a rapidly changing healthcare system environment.

- **Dave Finger (NVFC):** Noted that one of the main thing he hopes that gets addressed are some of the challenges of rural and volunteer EMS providers. How do they maintain service levels in the face of declining resources? He wants to keep in mind individuals who are struggling and how they maintain service level? He noted that we are in flux in what the healthcare in this country will look like, what health insurance will look like, etc.

- **Role of the Association Liaisons:**
 - Mike Taigman discussed the steps and the process, including:
 - Needing to bring together recommendations for the TEP panel.
 - Purposely looking at this process in a very open way, for the panel to decide how best to proceed.
 - Considering what we learned, but realizing this is a fresh start.
 - Developing a Strawman approach, a strategy that allows for collaboration and creating a document that is a rough draft that gives others a chance to react and engage in the discussion, rather than debating in the abstract.
 - Distributing a strawman document early and then debate/talk about it at four regional meetings across the country.
 - Providing the EMS community an opportunity to see the first draft and comment, which will ensure we are going in the right direction.
 - Reinforcing the message to send questions, to support an open and inclusive process with several different ways to contribute. The effort is very open to input from almost any path and or source.

- **Technical Expert Panel (TEP):**
 - Designed to be a group of 10 people.
 - Members to be selected using an application process, which is live on the website.
 - The application process opened on Monday, January 9 and closes on January 30, 2017.
 - Website: emsagenda2050.org.
 - Looking for competencies, knowledge, perspectives and the ability to collaborate.
 - Strongly encouraging the recruitment of friends and people with varied perspectives.
 - Hoping the liaison group would do more of the work in representing specific perspectives, while the TEP would do the work of assembling and gathering ideas to build into a cohesive document.
 - Considering different regional meeting locations, open to input about options and times.
 - Looking to create a panel that is connected to the EMS profession.
 - Open to panelists that are not necessarily in EMS right now; need to look to others with experiences in other areas that could assist this process.

- All competencies will be addressed through the diverse nature of the TEP members.
- **Liaisons:**
 - Hoping all the associations will appoint someone who will be a liaison to this project and to gather ideas and perspectives from the people they represent.
 - Interested in perspectives on how often to meet, primarily by telephone or GoToMeeting?
 - Possibility to have some in-person conversations at some of the EMS conferences that are coming up, if that is of interest to the liaisons.
- **Questions and Answers:**
 - **Q:** Dia asked: will organizational liaisons receive information about TEP meetings locations and times?
 - **A:** Information should be available to everyone. TEP panel will be doing the actual work, with liaisons contributing information.
 - Dr. John Krohmer noted that we will ensure all the information is shared and supports the intent of this being an open stakeholders project.
 - Tricia commented that the TEP would be invited to the liaison meetings. There will be multiple opportunities to interact with the TEP and have open dialogue.
- **Dr. Krohmer shared some thoughts on why this is a good time to develop a new agenda:**
 - During the discussion today, the group has reflected on the last 20 years, and there has been a lot of progress. Things have changed quickly and now is the time to revisit our direction with respect to:
 - What worked in the 1996 Agenda?
 - Capitalizing on the opportunity to tap in to the vast network of talent and resources.
- **Strawman document:**
 - When the TEP first meets, they will develop the document; the concept of a strawman is to develop a working draft to which people can react.
 - For collaboration, this works well.
 - It will outline attributes that were considered by the TEP, and may also include draft recommendations.
 - This is the approach that, although not the same that was used in 1996, will create a useful and relevant vision, in the time allotted
- **Outreach/Education on Finalized EMS Agenda 2050:**
 - In this process, we have education outreach worked into our plan.
 - This approach will include articles in trade journals, website, webinars, conference sessions, etc.
 - When the document is in final form, we will ensure it is discussed and made available as widely as possible.
 - Liaisons play an important role in relaying information back to their members and through their communication channels.

- Interested parties can sign-up to get notifications through the website.
- Liaisons should encourage their members to sign-up to get additional information.
- There will also be a dedicated **Facebook** page (EMS Agenda 2050) and **Twitter** handle.
- Twitter: **@EMSAgenda2050** and **#emsagenda2050**

- **EMS 3.0 and the EMS Agenda 2050**
 - The focus of EMS 3.0 is to look at the tactical level of a lot of the issues that specifically exist and how they can be addressed in the next 3-5 years.
 - EMS Agenda 2050 will take a much broader vision on what to expect over the next 20-30 years.
 - They are two separate projects and we hope to have communication with the EMS 3.0 initiative.
 - Hopefully, there will be overlap and they will be very complimentary.

- **Conferences:**
 - There is an update session planned at EMS Today and at the Pinnacle Conference.
 - Other conferences will have sessions to update people on the project.

- **Project Timeline:**
 - The end of 2018 is the defined goal for EMS Agenda 2050.
 - Towards the end of the project, there will be a public release meeting.