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#### 1. NASEMSO Seeks Additional Executive Staff

A search is underway for a new Executive Director to provide strategic leadership to promote and expand NASEMSO's presence and capacity as a national leader in emergency medical services. Major duties include both program development such as outreach and representation, and program operations including project management and staffing two NASEMSO councils. Current Executive Director Beth Armstrong will continue to serve NASEMSO as Executive Vice President. Candidates should submit a cover letter and a resume/CV by March 15, 2011 to [BArmstrong@asmii.net](mailto:BArmstrong@asmii.net). [Download job description here.](#)

#### 2. Registration Now Open for NASEMSO Mid-Year Meeting

The NASEMSO Mid-Year Meeting will be held May 4-6, 2011 in Annapolis, MD at the Loews Annapolis Hotel. NASEMSO's Education Agenda Implementation Team will kick off the meeting at 1 p.m. on Wednesday with a special pre-session in conjunction with the National Association of EMS Educators (NAEMSE) that is open to all state EMS officials. There will be no registration fees to attend this event but preregistration is requested so we can plan for the number of handouts. Additional information and meeting agendas will be posted on the web site as soon as they become available. Hotel and registration information is available now for the 2011 NASEMSO Mid-Year meeting on our web site at [www.nasemso.org](http://www.nasemso.org).

#### 3. NASEMSO I-Team Proposes Instructor Qualifications

NASEMSO's Education Agenda Implementation Team has posted a matrix for states to consider when developing instructor qualifications. This document, *EMS Instructor Qualifications*, represents the latest in a series of planning templates for inclusion in NASEMSO's Implementation "Toolkit." The suggested criteria can be used as guidance to help states ensure that EMS educators are ready to meet the needs of students taught using the *Education Standards*. [For more information....](#)

**4. JNEMSLC Submits Comments to FCC on Framework for NG 9-1-1 Deployment**

The Joint National EMS Leadership Conference, a coalition of national EMS organizations of which NASEMSO is a member, has filed its first ever filing done jointly by the JNEMSLC. The paper was submitted to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) PS Docket No. 10-255 to reflect EMS concerns on the Notice of Inquiry for a Framework for Next Generation 9-1-1 Deployment. The document is posted on the NASEMSO [web site](#). Members with questions should contact NASEMSO Program Advisor [Kevin McGinnis](#).

**5. State of the States: Early Achievements in Implementing the Affordable Care Act**

Despite fiscal constraints and the rising demand for public health programs, many states made early achievements in implementing the Affordable Care Act (ACA) in 2010, as documented in the new State of the States report from State Coverage Initiatives (SCI), a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. [Read the report.](#)

**6. CDC Describes Use of a Registry to Improve Acute Stroke Care --- Seven States, 2005--2009**

Each year, an estimated 795,000 persons in the United States experience a stroke. In all, an estimated 7 million U.S. residents have had a stroke, and the cost of cerebrovascular disease in 2007 was estimated at \$41 billion (1). During 2004--2009, CDC funded seven state health departments for different periods to implement stroke care improvement registries. As part of the quality-improvement activities conducted by the Paul Coverdell National Acute Stroke Registry (PCNASR), CDC monitors adherence to 10 quality-of-care measures. This report documents the status of adherence to these 10 performance measures of stroke care through these seven state health departments for the period 2005--2009. [For more information....](#)

**7. Introduction to Public Health Surveillance Course Offered for State and Local Officials**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University will cosponsor the course, Introduction to Public Health Surveillance, May 2--6, 2011, at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. The course is designed for state and local public health professionals. The course will provide theoretical and practical knowledge to enable participants to design, implement, and evaluate effective public health surveillance programs. Topics scheduled for presentation include an overview and history of surveillance systems; planning considerations; sources and collection of data; analysis, interpretation, and communication of data; surveillance systems technology; ethics and legalities; state and local concerns; and future considerations. [For more information...](#)

**8. New Report Details Affordable Care Act Resources and Flexibility for States**

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has released a new report showing that the Affordable Care Act provides states with significant flexibility and resources to improve health care benefits and protect consumers. Already, the law has provided or offered \$2.8 billion in funding to states. This is a fraction of the total funding available under the law to help states implement new consumer protections, expand health coverage, and improve health care quality. The Affordable Care Act builds on ongoing state efforts to reform health care, and provides states with new tools, flexibility, and resources to provide their residents with health care benefits and consumer protections at an affordable price. At a time when states are struggling with budget deficits, these resources are providing governors, state legislators and regulators, and the people they serve, with vital assistance to improve lives and reduce costs. The law also empowers states to choose a variety of implementation strategies to reflect their different insurance markets, provider networks, and the needs of their residents. Under the law, states receive substantial flexibility and financial support to cover the cost of creating new competitive insurance marketplaces and extending coverage to more Americans. The report can be found at [www.HealthCare.gov/center/reports/states02252011a.pdf](http://www.HealthCare.gov/center/reports/states02252011a.pdf).

**9. FAA Reauthorization Act Passes Senate**

The Senate recently passed the FAA Air Transportation Modernization and Safety Improvement Act which contains language that potentially impacts the air medical industry. Section 507 will effectively implement several of the recommendations that were identified following National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) hearings on air medical safety in 2009. If the Bill becomes law, helicopter and fixed wing operators will be required to comply with part 135 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, if there is a medical crew on board, without regard to whether there are patients on board; install terrain awareness and warning systems; use a risk evaluation checklist to determine whether a mission should be accepted; implement performance based flight dispatch and flight-following procedures; participate in data collection activities related to the various demographics and the nature and conditions of flights by the service, and; anticipate federal regulations on recording voice communications and flight data information on board aircraft. Section 717 of the Act compels the Comptroller General to conduct a study of the helicopter and fixed-wing air ambulance industry to include information, analysis, and recommendations pertinent to ensuring a safe air ambulance industry, more specifically “the relationship between State regulation and Federal preemption of rates, routes, and services of air ambulances; (2) the extent to which Federal law may impact existing State regulation of air ambulances and the potential effect of greater State regulation; and (3) whether systemic or other problems exist on a statewide, regional, or national basis with the current system governing air ambulances.” It is noted that this data has previously been reported by the Government Accounting Office (GAO) in GAO-10-907 September 30, 2010 [Highlights Page](#) (PDF) or [Full Report](#) (PDF, 61 pages). The \$34.6 billion bill reauthorizes the Federal Aviation Administration for two years and sets aviation policies. The House is working on its own version of the bill that would cover four years. The text of the Senate Bill (S. 223) can be found at [www.thomas.gov](http://www.thomas.gov).

**10. FEMA Seeks Comments on Emergency Responder Field Operations Guide**

The Federal Emergency Management Agency is requesting public comments on the Emergency Responder Field Operations Guide (ER FOG). The ER FOG was drafted to assist emergency response personnel in the use of the National Incident Management System Incident Command System during incident operations. For more information, go to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and search for **Docket ID: FEMA-2009-0014**. Comments must be received by March 18, 2011.

**11. ESF 9 Revised and Now Available for Download**

Emergency Support Function (ESF) #9 – Search and Rescue (SAR) rapidly deploys federal SAR resources to provide lifesaving assistance to state, tribal, and local authorities, to include local SAR Coordinators and Mission Coordinators, when there is an actual or anticipated request for federal SAR assistance. Emergency Support Function #9 - Search and Rescue has been updated and is now available on the NRF Resource Center at <http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nrf/nrf-esf-09.pdf>.

**12. National Commission on Children and Disasters Scheduled to Meet**

The Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services has announced a meeting of the National Commission on Children and Disasters on March 14, 2011, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Administration for Children and Families, 901 D Street, SW., Washington, DC 20024. To attend either in person or via teleconference, please register by 5 p.m., Eastern Time, March 10, 2011. To register, please e-mail [Jacqueline.Officer@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:Jacqueline.Officer@acf.hhs.gov) with “Meeting Registration” in the subject line, or call (202) 205–9560. Registration must include your name, affiliation, and phone number. The Commission will hear testimony from federal and nonfederal officials on the status of recommendations from its 2010 Report to the President and

Congress. The Commission will also provide an opportunity for public comments during the public meeting on March 14, 2011. [For more information...](#)

**13. FEMA, NCCD Announce New Partnership to Promote Fire Safety Awareness for Families**

Because a new study showing that young children are at an especially high risk of getting seriously injured or dying in residential fires, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the National Commission on Children and Disasters are announcing a new public awareness campaign to help keep children and families safer from the threat of home fires. As part of this effort, FEMA's U.S. Fire Administration is releasing a new report on the risks fires pose to children. The report, which is based on the latest available data released by the National Center for Health Statistics, found that young children face the greatest - and a growing - risk of death or serious injury in home fires, with 52 percent of all child fire deaths in 2007 involving children under the age of four, a slight increase from the most recent study previously conducted in 2004. [Click here](#) for a copy of the report. Additional information is available at <http://www.ready.gov/kidsfiresafety>.

**14. FEMA Training Center Celebrates a Significant Milestone in Emergency Management Training**

The Emergency Management Institute (EMI) in Emmitsburg, Maryland, is commemorating 60 years of emergency training in 2011. EMI is the largest training facility for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and is located in Emmitsburg, Maryland, on the grounds of the National Emergency Training Center. NASEMSO salutes EMI on this important milestone!

**15. IOM Report Highlights Mass Casualty Response in Rural Communities**

In response to a request from the Federal Interagency Committee on Emergency Medical Services, and with support from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the IOM's Forum on Medical and Public Health Preparedness for Catastrophic Events held a workshop August 3-4, 2010. Speakers and participants examined the current capabilities of emergency response systems and the future opportunities to improve mass casualty response in rural communities. A new document, which includes input from several NASEMSO members, summarizes the workshop and is now available on the [NASEMSO web site](#).

**16. Release of New WISQARS Cost of Injury Reports**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) is introducing a new WISQARS Cost of Injury Reports module that provide cost estimates for injury deaths, hospitalizations, and emergency department visits in which the patient was treated and released. Web-based Injury Statistics Query and Reporting System (WISQARS) is a leading source of injury statistics in the United States. WISQARS is an interactive, web-based query system that provides data on injury deaths, violent deaths, and nonfatal injuries. Users can use the query system to create tables with medical (e.g., treatment and rehabilitation), work loss (e.g., lost wages, benefits, and self-reported household services), and combined (medical plus work loss) costs based on a number of variables, including intent and mechanism (cause) of injury, body region and diagnosis of injury, geographic location (for deaths only), sex, and age. The WISQARS Cost of Injury Reports module is a valuable tool to help raise awareness of the economic impact of fatal and nonfatal injuries in the United States. Additional information is available at <http://www.cdc.gov/injury/wisqars>.

**17. "Faces of Distracted Driving" Videos Address Texting and Cell Phone Use While Driving**

U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood recently released the latest video in the U.S. Department of Transportation's "Faces of Distracted Driving" series. The video was submitted by friends and family of Springfield, Pennsylvania native Casey Feldman, a 21 year old who was struck and killed by a distracted driver as she crossed a

street in Ocean City, New Jersey in 2009. “Faces of Distracted Driving” is a video series exploring the tragic consequences of texting and cell phone use while driving. It features people from across the country who have been injured or lost loved ones in distracted driving crashes. In 2009, nearly 5,500 people died and half a million were injured in accidents involving a distracted driver. The series is part of Secretary LaHood’s effort to raise greater awareness about the dangers of distracted driving. WATCH: “Faces of Distracted Driving” – [www.distraction.gov/faces](http://www.distraction.gov/faces)

**18. USFA Releases Fire-Related Firefighter Injuries Report**

The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) has issued a special report examining the details of firefighter injuries sustained on the fireground or while responding to or returning from a fire incident. The report, [Fire-Related Firefighter Injuries Reported to NFIRS](#) was developed by USFA's National Fire Data Center and is further evidence of FEMA's effort to reduce the number of firefighter injuries through an increased awareness and understanding of their causes and how they might be prevented. The report is part of the Topical Fire Report Series and is based on 2006 to 2008 data from the National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS). According to the report:

- An estimated 81,070 firefighter injuries occur annually in the United States.
- 49 percent of firefighter injuries occur on the fireground and 6 percent occur while responding to or returning from a fire incident.
- Overexertion/strain is the leading cause of fire-related firefighter injuries at 25 percent.
- 38 percent of all fire-related firefighter injuries result in lost work time.
- The majority of fire-related firefighter injuries (87 percent) occur in structure fires.
- On average, structure fires have more injuries per fire than nonstructure fires.
- Firefighter injury fires are more prevalent in July (10 percent) and peak between the hours of 2 and 5 p.m.

Topical reports are designed to explore facets of the U.S. fire problem as depicted through data collected in NFIRS. Each topical report briefly addresses the nature of the specific fire or fire-related topic, highlights important findings from the data, and may suggest other resources to consider for further information. Also included are recent examples of fire incidents that demonstrate some of the issues addressed in the report or that put the report topic in context. For further information regarding other topical reports or any programs and training available from the U.S. Fire Administration, visit [www.usfa.fema.gov](http://www.usfa.fema.gov).

**19. Medicare Fraud Strike Force Charges 111 Individuals for more than \$225 Million in False Billing**

The Medicare Fraud Strike Force has charged 111 defendants in nine cities, including doctors, nurses, health care company owners and executives, and others, for their alleged participation in Medicare fraud schemes involving more than \$225 million in false billing. This operation is the largest-ever federal health care fraud takedown. The Department of Justice (DOJ) and HHS has announced the expansion of Medicare Fraud Strike Force operations to two additional cities – Dallas and Chicago. The joint DOJ-HHS Medicare Fraud Strike Force is a multi-agency team of federal, state, and local investigators designed to combat Medicare fraud through the use of Medicare data analysis techniques and an increased focus on community policing. More than 700 law enforcement agents from the FBI, HHS-Office of Inspector General (HHS-OIG), multiple Medicaid Fraud Control Units, and other state and local law enforcement agencies participated in today’s operation. In addition to making arrests, agents also executed 16 search warrants across the country in connection with ongoing strike force investigations. To learn more about the Health Care Fraud Prevention and Enforcement Action Team (HEAT), go to: [www.stopmedicarefraud.gov](http://www.stopmedicarefraud.gov).

**20. PSOB Provisions for Volunteer or Nonprofit EMS Passes in Senate**

The provisions of the Dale Long Emergency Medical Service Providers Protection Act have passed the US Senate as an amendment to the FAA Reauthorization Act. Amendment No. 50 extends death and disability benefits to emergency medical personnel who work for volunteer or nonprofit ground and air ambulance services as part of the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program (PSOB) run by the Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance. Read more about the PSOB [here](#). The action also amends the *Volunteer Protection Act* to include volunteer pilots who are expressly excluded in the current law. As a result of this amendment, volunteer pilots flying for the “public benefit” are protected from liability for harm that may be caused to another during the course of the volunteerism. The Senate’s action is recorded in amendments to the FAA Air Transportation Modernization and Safety Improvement Act (S. 223) on February 17, 2011. According to Advocates for EMS, the House is expected to vote on its version of the reauthorization in the coming weeks. Following expected House passage, a Conference Committee will be convened to iron out the differences between the two bills so both chambers can vote on a final version before the March 31 expiration of the current FAA authorization.

**21. PA Mourns Loss of Paramedic to H1N1**

30 year old Fayette County (PA) Paramedic and dispatcher, David Sechrist has died from complications related to the H1N1 virus. According to the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review, “as of the week ending Feb. 12, there were 1,898 flu cases reported, up from the previous week's tally of 1,632. Flu activity is statewide, but the department noted ‘significant increases were reported in the southwestern regions.’ Of 45 flu specimens sent to the state lab for testing, 60 percent were the H1N1 virus, according to the department's website. Five deaths statewide were attributed to flu complications during the same reporting period, including one child.” [For more information...](#)

In related news, signaling that the current flu strains are likely to persist over the next several months, the World Health Organization (WHO) has recommended sticking with the current trio of vaccine strains for the Northern Hemisphere's next influenza season. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommend that all health care workers get an annual flu vaccine.

**22. AEMS to Host EMS Summit to Discuss Field EMS Bill**

Advocates for EMS is working with its Hill champions to prepare for reintroduction of the Walz/Myrick Field EMS bill during the 112th Congress. To help further refine the bill and discuss legislative strategy in both the House and Senate, Advocates will be hosting an EMS Summit of stakeholders on Thursday, March 3, 2011 from 7:30 am - 12:30 pm ET (please note the updated times) at the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems (MIEMSS), 653 West Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD 21201. The Summit will coincide with the EMS Today Conference a few blocks away at the Baltimore Convention Center.

**23. Urgent Matters Toolkit Addresses ED Crowding**

America's hospital emergency departments (EDs) provide a critical primary and emergency care safety net for every community. Yet over the last decade, studies deem the country’s EDs to be at a breaking point, weighed down by crowding as patient volume steadily increases and capacity decreases. Recognizing this growing crisis, in 2002 the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) started the Urgent Matters initiative aimed at developing and spreading innovations designed to eliminate or reduce ED crowding. The successes and challenges of Urgent Matters LN II have been captured in two valuable resources just released: a final report and an updated Urgent Matters toolkit of intervention strategies, or promising practices. [Visit the Urgent Matters toolkit.](#) [Read the Urgent Matters Learning Network II final report.](#)

**24. Registration Opens for National EMS Memorial Bike Ride**

The National EMS Memorial Bike Ride, Inc. honors Emergency Medical Services personnel by organizing and implementing long distance cycling events that memorialize and celebrate the lives of those who serve every day, those who have become sick or injured while performing their duties, and those who have died in the line of duty. The 2011 event will be held on May 14 through 21, 2011. Our end point this year is Washington DC. Please go to [www.MuddyAngels.org](http://www.MuddyAngels.org) for more information and to learn how to participate.

**25. FHWA Seeks Qualified Candidates for Three Positions**

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Office of Safety is currently advertising to recruit for up to three vacancies in our Office. In general, a person hired from this announcement will serve as a nationally recognized authority and advisor to Safety Leadership in identifying, developing, delivering, evaluating and making enhancements to safety programs and products to reduce the number and severity of highway crashes, and other highway safety programs. The positions are located at Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Headquarters, Office of Safety, Washington DC. The posting is open Friday, February 25, 2011 to Thursday, March 10, 2011 Here are the links to the vacancy announcements:

- <http://jobsearch.dot.gov/getjob.asp?JobID=97272037> (Merit Promotion)
- <http://jobsearch.dot.gov/getjob.asp?JobID=97272329> (All Sources)

**26. Severe Shortage of Surgical Specialists Plagues Nation's Emergency Departments**

Nearly three-quarters of the nation’s emergency departments do not have enough on-call coverage by surgical specialists to meet the demand for round-the-clock specialty care, according to the results of a survey by RWJF Clinical Scholar Mitesh Rao, M.D., M.H.S. (2007-2009) and colleagues. Published in the December 2010 print edition of Academic Emergency Medicine, the study examines the condition of surgical on-call coverage in the nation’s emergency departments. [Learn more.](#)

**27. Proposed Kidney Transplant Rules Favor Younger, Healthier Recipients**

Kidney transplants would be given preferentially to younger, healthier patients, under rules being considered by the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS), according to the Washington Post. Current rules favor recipients who have been on waiting lists longest, but the shift is an attempt "to get the most out of a scarce resource," according to Dr. Kenneth Andreoni, the chair of the UNOS committee considering the changes, as quoted in the Post. Bioethicist Arthur Caplan, also quoted in the article, says that the change has implications for other areas of medicine: "This is moving it away from a save-the-sickest strategy to trying to get a greater yield in terms of years of life saved." UNOS has circulated a document describing the proposal and is seeking comments. [For more information...](#)

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**\*\*\*STATEWIDE EMS CONFERENCES\*\*\***

\*Southern Regional EMS Conference. March 16-18, 2011. Biloxi, MS. [For more information...](#)

\*Virginia Emergency Management Association Symposium. March 30-April 1, 2011 Hilton Richmond Hotel, Richmond, VA. [For more information...](#)

\*EMS Care 2011 at the Beach. Maryland State EMS Conference. March 31-April 3, 2011. Ocean City, MD. [For more information...](#)

\*36TH ANNUAL VAVRS RESCUE COLLEGE. June 11-19, 2011. Virginia Tech Skelton Conference Center, Blacksburg, VA. [For more information...](#)

\* Pennsylvania's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Pediatric Emergency Care Symposia. June 17, 2011. Genetti Hotel, Williamsport, PA. [For more information...](#)

\* Pennsylvania's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Pediatric Emergency Care Symposia –August 18, 2011. Lancaster Marriott, Lancaster, PA. [For more information...](#)

\* Pennsylvania's 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Statewide EMS Conference – August 18-19, 2011 at the Lancaster County Convention Center & Marriott, Lancaster, PA [For more information...](#)

\* Pennsylvania's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Pediatric Emergency Care Symposia –September 16, 2011. Holiday Inn, Johnstown, PA. [For more information...](#)

\* 77th VAVRS Convention. September 21 - 25, 2011-- Virginia Beach Convention Center, Virginia Beach, VA. [For more information...](#)

New Jersey Statewide Conference on EMS. November 2 - 5, 2011 Sheraton, Atlantic City, NJ. For more information, please visit [www.NJEMSConference.com](http://www.NJEMSConference.com)

\* 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Virginia EMS Symposium. November 9-13, 2011. Norfolk Waterside Marriott, Norfolk, VA. [For more information...](#)

\* Texas EMS Conference. November 20-23, 2011. Austin Convention Center, Austin, Texas. [www.texasemsconference.com](http://www.texasemsconference.com).

### **\*\*\*National Conferences and Special Meetings\*\*\***

\*MCHB Webinars on February 28, 2011:

- From 10:30 a.m. to noon (Eastern), the EMSC Program and the Federal Interagency Committee for EMS (FICEMS) will host the webcast "[Exception From Informed Consent: Lessons from a Consensus Conference](#)" to introduce participants to the current issues in conducting clinical trials using the Exception from Informed Consent (EFIC) regulations. The results of a National Highway Traffic Safety Administration-sponsored consensus conference on addressing the barriers to conducting EFIC trails will be presented along with a perspective from the Food and Drug Administration.
- A Review of the New MCHB Performance Measures. 3:00 pm (eastern). Presenters will explain the background inception of the MCHB Performance Measures (PM), what grantees should expect to see

when they access the HRSA Electronic Handbooks, and review the elements of each MCHB PM. A review of the PM elements will help grantees to better understand the reporting expectations of the Maternal Child Health Bureau and how instituting these measures may impact future activities planned by EMSC grantees. [For more information...](#)

American Academy of Emergency Medicine (AAEM) Scientific Assembly. Feb. 28-March 2, 2011. Orlando FL. [For more information...](#)

NAEMSE EMS INSTRUCTOR COURSE Feb. 28-March 2, 2011 - Baltimore, MD (held at EMS Today). Registration info at [www.naemse.org/instructor-course](http://www.naemse.org/instructor-course)

EMS Today JEMS Conference and Exposition. March 1-5, 2011. Baltimore Convention Center, Baltimore, MD. [For more information...](#)

Association of Air Medical Services (AAMS) Leadership Conference. March 16-18, 2011. Washington DC. [For more information...](#)

NAEMSE EMS Instructor Course March 18-20, 2011 – Bloomington, IL. Registration info at [www.naemse.org/instructor-course](http://www.naemse.org/instructor-course)

NAEMSE Annual Mini Symposium April 1-2 – Orlando, FL [www.naemse.org/minisymposium](http://www.naemse.org/minisymposium)

EMSC State Partnership Town Hall Conference Call. April 6, 2011 at 2:00 pm EDT. To participate in the conference call, dial the HRSA conference line at 866-823-9065 and enter meeting code: 1346468.

NAEMSE EMS Instructor Course April 8-10, 2011 – Plainfield, NJ. Registration info at [www.naemse.org/instructor-course](http://www.naemse.org/instructor-course)

\* 2011 State Partnership EMSC Program Manager's Meeting. May 2-4, 2011. Westin Annapolis, in Annapolis, MD.

EMS on the Hill Day. May 3-4, 2011. [For more information...](#)

National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) Mid-Year Meeting. May 3-5, 2011. Loews Hotel. Annapolis, MD. [For more information...](#)

Fire Rescue Med. May 10-14, 2011 Orleans Hotel, Las Vegas, NV. International Association of Fire Chiefs EMS Section. [For more information...](#)

\* National EMS Memorial Bike Ride. May 14-21, 2011 [For more information...](#)

National EMS Week. May 15-21, 2011 with May 18 set aside as Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Day!!

\* Accreditation Workshop: STEPS TO SUCCESS This comprehensive two-day accreditation workshop will arm you with all you need for a successful accreditation experience. You will receive hands-on instructions and guidance. Plan to attend now. Pittsburgh, PA - Friday June 3, 2011 8:00 AM to Saturday June 4, 2011 at 12:00 PM.

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IAEM-USA 2011 Mid-Year Meeting. June 9-11, 2011. Emmitsburg, MD [For more information...](#)

1<sup>st</sup> INTERNATIONAL NAEMSE Mini Symposium June 11-12, 2011 – Toronto, Canada. [For more information...](#)

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Pinnacle 2011. July 25-29, 2011. Loews Miami Beach Hotel, Miami Beach, FL. [For more information...](#)

EMS World Expo. Aug 29-Sept 2, 2011. Las Vegas Convention Center, Las Vegas, NV [For more information...](#)

National Association of EMS Educators (NAEMSE) September 13-18, 2011. Peppermill Resort, Reno NV. [For more information...](#)

Emergency Nurses Association (ENA) Annual Meeting. September 20-24, 2011. Tampa Convention Center, Tampa, FL. [For more information...](#)

National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) Annual Meeting. October 2-7, 2011. Hilton Monona Terrace, Madison, WI. [For more information...](#)

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American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) Annual Meeting October 15-18, 2011 San Francisco, CA. [For more information...](#)

18<sup>th</sup> ITS World Congress on Intelligent Transport Systems. October 16-20, 2011. Orlando, Florida. [For more information...](#)

Air Medical Transport Conference. October 17-19, 2011. St. Louis, MO. [For more information...](#)

EMEX 2011. November 12-17, 2011. Rio All-Suites Hotel, Las Vegas, NV. International Association of Emergency Managers. [For more information...](#)

See more EMS Events on NASEMSO's web site at <http://www.nasemso.org/Resources/Calendar/index.asp>

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