Welcome to the Joint National EMS Leadership Forum

June 26, 2012
Washington, DC
JNEMSLF AGENDA

• Introductions
• Welcome New Associations to the Forum: ACCT, ACEP, and NVFC
• Agenda Review/Additions
• Drug shortages and NEMSIS: progress and next steps
• Federal Partner Updates
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The mission of the Joint National Emergency Medical Services Leadership Forum (JNEMSLF) is to facilitate a shared vision, collaboration, and unity in purpose to improve emergency medical services and conditions that affect emergency medical services throughout the country.

It is the vision of the JNEMSLF that timely, stable and accountable local and regional emergency medical services systems with the capacity and performance to ensure optimal patient outcomes must be available throughout the United States. The JNEMSLF will achieve this vision through:

- **Maintaining contemporary and mutual awareness** of the priorities, challenges, and accomplishments of national associations with a leadership role in emergency medical services systems in the United States
- **Fostering an environment of trust and information exchange** among and between national EMS associations and partners in the executive branch of the federal government
- **Identifying matters of mutual importance and developing consensus-based positions** for emergency medical services stakeholders and partners at the all levels – local through federal
- **Serving as a collective voice** for interactions with federal and national organizations when a multi-association, multidisciplinary educational approach is of benefit to all stakeholders
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Drug shortages: Next steps

• Requested that NCEMSI add “indicated-drug-not-available?”
• Consider promoting EVENT use for indicated-drug-not-available patient care encounters
• JNEMSLF all-assn letterhead to GAO re FDA 4 weeks post PDUFA enactment
• Dave Finger NVFC to lead
Drug shortages: Next steps

Letter Content Areas

• “Physicians” includes “EMS Medical Directors”
• “Providers” includes “EMS agencies”
• How are they mitigating, and how well is that working, impediments to mitigation
• Exp dates - inability for medical directors or states to authorize use
• Potency and toxicity?
• Define the problem at local, system, and state level (including escalating prices and compounding)
• Effect of changing formulations/substitute drugs is a patient and provider safety issue
• Unique nature of EMS care and the time urgency
• Liability
NEMSIS: progress and next steps

- Conference call
- Social Marketing
- Power of messages from national associations
- Value of peer-to-peer presentations (e.g., NAEMSP in January)
- Outreach to NEMSIS TAC
- HL7 is only step 1, interface of EMS data with EHRs, but this has not received a lot of attention
- If JNEMSLF feels EMS integration in the EHIE is important, communication of this would be helpful to US HHS—there are a lot of issues that haven’t been thought through
- Consider bidirectional information flow and incentives
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Burning Platforms 3/12

- Issue identification about the “business of EMS”
- Medical Safety Countermeasures
- Financing EMS
- Safety, Culture of Safety
- Innovation-CMS Challenge Grant
- Definition of EMS
- Declaration that EMS is an essential function
- Drug shortages
- Enhancing NEMSIS & other system and patient data
- Research and scholarly development
- D Block
- Culture of Science
- Leadership and “Statesmanship"
Burning Platforms 6/12

- Financing EMS: stable and sufficient for readiness
- MedPAC & the criticality of making add ons permanent
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- D Block and FirstNet Governance
- Culture of Science
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- Local EMS agency manpower & workforce issues
Action Items

• All association letter to GAO
• Permanizing Medicare addons
• CMS Letter (to Tavenner)
• Consortium of EMS Leadership Organizations “CELO”?
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JNEMSLF 2012-2013 Meeting Schedule

• TBD- October 29-31, November 1-2 @ EMS World
• TBD- December 2012 @ FICEMS/NEMSAC
• TBD- March 2103 @ EMS Today
• TBD- June 2013 @ FICEMS/NEMSAC