Welcome to the
Joint National EMS Leadership Forum

February 29, 2012
Baltimore, MD
JNEMSLF AGENDA

• Introductions
• Recent history that brought us here
• Vision & Mission
  – Discussion
  – Adoption
• Roundtable of “Burning Platform” Issues
• Meeting Frequency/Processes
• Adjourn @1200
National Organizations/Associations in Attendance

• AAA - Maria Bianchi and Aaron Reinert
• AAMS – Eveline Bissen
• EMSLA – Bob Morley, James Orsino
• IAEMSC – Patty Dukes, Bob McCaughan, James Robinson, Larry Tan
• IAFC – Tony Baker, David Becker, Mary Beth Michos, John Sinclair
• IAFF – (invited)
• NAEMSE – Scott Bourn, Joann Freel, Donna Tidwell
• NAEMSP – Lynn White
• NAEMT – Connie Meyer, Pamela Lane
• NASEMSO – Beth Armstrong, Jim DeTienne, Dia Gainor, Randy Kuykendall, Kathy Robinson
• NAPO – John Bilotas
• NEMSMA – Keith Griffiths, Troy Hagen, Skip Kirkwood
Federal Partners in Attendance

- CDC (invited)
- DHS/OHA – Rick Patrick
- DOT/NHTSA/OEMS – Drew Dawson and Noah Smith
- HHS/ASPR – Gregg Margolis
- HHS/HRSA/EMSC – Beth Edgerton
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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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Burning Platforms

- 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”
Drug Shortage

- FDA Relief on expiration dates (emergency use authorizations?)
- Emergency relief from brand name drug costs
- GAO report published last year & Senate hearing
- Bills in both House & Senate

- There’s media focus and markup forthcoming
- Outside voices missing
- EMS not the only voice, but important
- Workgroup on what the status is and what policy issues might be
- ACEP EMS Cmte (include)
Drug Shortage

- IAFC EMS Section, NASEMSO Medical Directors Council, Eagles working on it
- Crisis not only availability and expiration dates, but rapid implementation of alternate drugs/concentrations

- IAFC EMS Section to lead and coordinate workgroup, NEMSMA volunteered, other associations to query and provide contact information to Tony Baker & Dia Gainor
  
  tbaker@iafc.org
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NEMSIS

• Establish “situational awareness” for national associations
• Identify additional opportunities for input
• Interface with NFIRS
• “Doable” but not universal at the local, state and national levels

• Tie-in with the new EMS Near Miss and Firefighter Near Miss reporting systems
• Engage in discussions about current status and future plans
• Address standards and state variation
• JNEMSLF guidance – may “implore the states”
NEMSIS

• NHTSA/OEMS volunteered to pull subgroup together
• NEMSAC and others would benefit from input
• Clear messaging essential about motivation (e.g., important to be moving forward)

• Topics to discuss should include provider (local agency level) access—look at CARES and other registries
• Health IT in HHS/ASPR portfolio, excited about transitioning EMS data to the Health Information Exchange
NEMSIS: National Association Volunteers

• Associations present committed to query within respective associations for the “right person”

• Associations were asked to provide that contact information to Drew and Dia
  
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JNEMSLF 2012 Meeting Schedule

• The Forum members should endeavor to commit to meet F2F four times a year

• Primary in person meetings at EMS Today (spring) and EMS World (fall)

• Teleconferences for workgroups on the two selected priority areas should be conducted soon and as needed
JNEMSLF 2012 Meeting Schedule

• Meeting #2 and #4 every year tie to June/December FICEMS/NEMSAC meeting; teleconf for JNEMSLF members not in person (in DC to maximize federal partner attendance)

• NEMSAC dealing with NEMSIS and other issues of national significance; this ties to opportunity for individual associations to present during public comment

• Rethink acronym (all suggestions welcome, send to dia@nasemso.org for compilation for June meeting)
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