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NASEMSO RELEASES NEW REPORT

Home State Regulatory Practices of Out-of-State EMS Agencies (Ground and Helicopter)

May 18, 2017 (Falls Church, VA) – The National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) is pleased to announce the release of a new report: *Home State Regulatory Practices of Out-of-State EMS Agencies (Ground and Helicopter)*.

Home State Regulatory Practices of Out-of-State EMS Agencies (Ground and Helicopter) summarizes the findings from a 2016 survey of state EMS offices on licensure requirements, exemptions, and special conditions for ground and helicopter EMS agencies that are based out-of-state. Through the work of the NASEMSO Agency and Vehicle Licensure (AVL) Committee, issues with out-of-state agencies (OOS) performing regulated services in their states were identified. Within the charge of the committee, NASEMSO leadership approved a proposal to develop and execute a survey to further identify and verify the issues and challenges in order to, when appropriate, develop model language for rules or laws and/or policy solutions to effect more standardization among states on their approach to agency licensure.

“As regionalized systems of emergency care continue to emerge, and critical resources such as air medical services need to respond into adjacent states, NASEMSO seeks a better understanding of state practices, related to the licensure of these organizations, in order to provide optimal protection to the public,” stated Keith Wages, NASEMSO president.

It is clear that state EMS offices have an interest and investment in this discussion as well as understand the challenges presented in managing OOS services. Respondents indicate that challenges have grown. There is an increase in availability and need for air medical transport. Further, variation among states in requirements for licensure was a key finding of the report, suggesting that reaching policy consensus is a prudent initiative in the future.

Download the report from the NASEMSO website at
http://www.nasemso.org/documents/HomeStateRegulatoryPractices.OOSAgencies_Final.pdf.

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