



## MCI MUCC Implementation

**W**hereas, the Federal Interagency Committee on Emergency Medical Services (FICEMS) is currently developing a plan to implement the Model Uniform Core Criteria (MUCC) for mass casualty triage in the United States;

**Whereas**, the vast majority of states and local jurisdictions currently utilize the Simple Triage and Rapid Treatment (START)© approach to mass casualty triage;

**Whereas**, there is a need for interoperability during a response to a mass casualty incident;

**Whereas**, the MUCC were developed using the best available science by a panel of subject matter experts under a grant by the Center for the Disease and Control and are currently endorsed by a number of national organizations;

**Whereas**, there remain many gaps in the scientific evidence regarding the effectiveness of various approaches to mass casualty triage;

**Whereas**, state and local budgets remain severely constrained by the recent recession;

**Whereas**, implementing the MUCC in the United States will be a complex and costly undertaking that will require a great deal of education, equipment, supplies, and coordination by state and local emergency medical services agencies.

**N**ow, therefore be it resolved that the National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) hereby requests that the MUCC implementation plan being developed by FICEMS includes provisions that its member federal agencies will provide sufficient grants, coordination, and other support to states and local jurisdictions so as to minimize the complexity of the transition and the fiscal impact on states and local jurisdictions;

**Be it further resolved** that NASEMSO requests that FICEMS and its member agencies support further scientific studies on various approaches to mass casualty triage and on the effectiveness of the MUCC.

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Signed this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.

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