National EMS Safety Council Meeting
Wednesday, June 20, 2018, 11:00 am CDT
Conference call number: 866-951-1151, Conference Room 668-161-053

In attendance: Craig Manifold (ACEP), Rick Sherlock (AAMS), Mike McEvoy (IAFC), John Todaro (NAEMSE), Joseph Grover (NAEMSP), Charlene Cobb (NAEMT), Kathy Wahl, (NASEMSO), Shirley Terry (NEMSMA), Pamela Lane (NAEMT), Melissa Trumbull (NAEMT), Pat Elmes (ACEP), Deanna Harper (ACEP), Rick Murray (ACEP)

Items discussed:

EMS Safety Officer Program at EMS World Expo – Pam Lane

Historically NEMSSC has reviewed the draft courses and offered suggested presenters for the EMS Safety Officer program offered as part of EMS World Expo. EMS World Expo was recently purchased by a new company and Hillary Gates replaced Nancy Perry in planning the conference. During the transition with the new owners, some of the details of the safety officer program were shared with the new and the course topics and presenters were selected without input from NEMSSC. When this was discovered it was too late to make changes as presenters had already been confirmed. After reviewing the topics and presenters for the 2018 course it was decided that NEMSSC would not be a supporter of the course this year but will work with the EMS World Expo staff on the course content and presenters for 2019.

Update on EMS Safety Awards Program – Charlene Cobb

The work the group has done so far was reviewed with those on the call. The initial plans included offering 3-4 award categories as listed below with some having more than one award given per category. The possible cost associated with these awards was discussed again and the different ways to fund them. The group will continue to work on the awards program and report back to the NEMSSC members. The current proposed 4 award categories are:

1. Individual award/First Responders—Paramedics, EMTs, FF
2. Agency awards—
3. EMS Leader awards—
4. Research award—

This group could use some additional assistance with finding award sponsors. Dr. Manifold offered his assistance as they move forward finding the needed sponsors to help pay for the wards, possibly the travel for the recipient and the cost of the actual conference. It was suggested to use the template language of the ACEP EMS Week prospectus as a guide to lead the drive and assist with moving forward. It is currently being and updated and will be shared once completed.

Road to Zero, safety grant – Pam Lane

This Road to Zero safety grant program was discussed as a possible means that NEMSSC might want to consider as a way to fund a safety project. This would be a great opportunity for NEMSSC to obtain
funding to lead and develop a relevant safety project. The grants are funded by NHTSA and administered through the National Safety Council (NSC). NAEMT and ACEP will explore the requirements and obtain more information on the process.

There were no other items added from the group call was adjourned.

Next call/meeting –
The next regularly scheduled meeting will be July 18, 2018 at 11:00 AM, Central Time.