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NAEMT FACT SHEET

OVERVIEW

- Formed in 1975 and more than 65,000 members strong, the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians ([NAEMT](#)) is the only national association representing the professional interests of all emergency and mobile healthcare practitioners, including emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical technicians, emergency medical responders, paramedics, advanced practice paramedics, critical care paramedics, flight paramedics, community paramedics, and mobile integrated healthcare practitioners.
- NAEMT members work in all sectors of EMS, including government agencies, fire departments, hospital-based ambulance services, private companies, industrial and special operations settings, and in the military. NAEMT members are trained as paramedics (55%), EMTs (37%), and physicians, nurses and other prehospital medical professionals (8%).
- A 15-member elected [Board of Directors](#) leads the association. Board members volunteer their time and effort to further the mission of the association. The Board also includes an appointed medical director who is an experienced EMS physician. The Board relies on volunteer committees comprised of members to assist in carrying out the work of the association.
- NAEMT offers its members thousands of dollars in member benefits, including insurance coverage, education scholarships and publication subscriptions, as well as discounts on education resources, EMS merchandise, and conference registration.

EDUCATION

- NAEMT trained more than 95,000 students in 67 countries in 2017 through its network of more than 2,300 training centers and 13,800 faculty members.
- NAEMT is the global standard in continuing education for EMS practitioners and other prehospital providers and provides evidence-based and field-tested courses that emphasize critical thinking skills to obtain the best outcomes for patients.
- All courses conducted through NAEMT are accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Prehospital Continuing Education ([CAPCE](#)) and recognized by the National Registry of EMTs ([NREMT](#)).

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- NAEMT courses include:
 - Advanced Medical Life Support ([AMLS](#))
 - All Hazards Disaster Response ([AHDR](#))
 - Emergency Pediatric Care ([EPC](#))
 - [EMS Safety](#)
 - EMS Vehicle Operator Safety ([EVOS](#))
 - Geriatric Education for EMS ([GEMS](#))
 - [NAEMT Instructor Course](#)
 - Prehospital Trauma Life Support ([PHTLS](#))
 - Principles of Ethics and Personal Leadership ([PEPL](#))
 - Psychological Trauma in the EMS Patient ([PTEP](#))
 - Tactical Combat Casualty Care ([TCCC](#))
 - Tactical Emergency Casualty Care ([TECC](#))
- NAEMT hosts an annual [World Trauma Symposium](#) to provide prehospital practitioners, military medics, physicians, nurses and educators an exceptional trauma care education opportunity, where they can learn from recognized knowledge experts and share their experience in trauma care from around the world.

ADVOCACY

- NAEMT is at the forefront of national discussions and initiatives that have significant impact on the EMS profession. NAEMT is the national united voice of EMS on issues impacting the ability of EMS practitioners to effectively serve their patients and communities, including:
 - Supporting and strengthening the EMS workforce
 - EMS payment reform
 - Mobile integrated healthcare and community paramedicine
 - Disaster preparedness
 - Military medic transition programs
 - Ensuring the safety of EMS patients and practitioners
- NAEMT [legislative priorities](#) are issues important to the EMS profession that are actively supported by the association throughout the year. NAEMT successfully advocated for the following federal bills:
 - Veterans EMS Support Act – passed July 23, 2016
 - Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act – passed November 17, 2017
 - Length of Service Award Programs Cap Adjustment Priority Act – passed December 22, 2017
 - 5-year Extension of Medicare Ambulance Add-on Payments – passed February 9, 2018

- [EMS On The Hill Day](#), hosted by NAEMT each year, is the national advocacy event for all EMS professionals to meet with their congressional leaders on Capitol Hill and advocate for the passage of key EMS legislation. EMS On The Hill is scheduled for April 11, 2018.
- NAEMT publishes [position statements](#) on critical EMS issues. Our most recent statement addresses [EMS in healthcare policy](#).
- The [EMS 3.0 Transformation Summit](#), hosted by NAEMT each year, draws EMS agency professionals from around the United States to learn strategies from EMS, healthcare and governmental leaders on how EMS can thrive in an outcomes-based healthcare economy. This year's Summit, scheduled for April 10, will present EMS agency leaders of hospital, fire and private agencies who will share details of the practical innovations they have implemented to successfully expand the services they provide.