



National EMS  
**SAFETY COUNCIL**

**National EMS Safety Council Conference Call**  
**Wednesday, July 20, 2022, 11:00 am CST**  
**Zoom Meeting**

**In attendance:**

Brian LaCroix (CPS); John Todaro, (NAEMSE); Joseph Grover, MD, FACEP (NAEMSP); Garrett Hedeem (NAEMT); Shirley Terry (NEMSMA); Jana Williams, (NEMSMS); Melissa Trumbull (NAEMT); Dave Bryson (NHTSA OEMS); Clary Mole (NHTSA OEMS); John Brasko (USFA); Rick Murray (ACEP); Pat Elmes (ACEP); Deanna Harper (ACEP)

**Agenda**

1. Opening and welcome
2. Updates from members – each member can share pertinent safety related activities
3. Old business
4. New business
5. Next meeting date – September 21
6. Adjourn

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**Welcome Jana Williams**- New to NEMSSC and representing the National EMS Memorial Service, escorting tree of life across the US, they are going to the Hyatt Regency in Crystal City, Virginia by

Friday for the weekend of honor which takes place on Saturday for the celebration of EMS Memorial Service.

### **Brian LaCroix (CPS)**

- Working with executive director Kathy Wire, JD, MBA shares the perspective and rising interest in promoting aspects of Just Culture
- Patient and Provider Safety, CPS collects and collate this data and compare data within US
- EMRG- Gary Wingrove to merge with Center for Patient Safety- more coming by Fall 2022.
- Pinnacle- Invite to come join CPS

### **Garrett Hedeem, (NAEMT)/ Melissa Trumbull**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> edition EMS Safety Course has published structure toolkit and course manual in print and digital versions. This newest addition will be a workshop at EMS World Expo-Oct 10-14, 2022.
- EMS Safety Officer Course- Online 6-hour course.
- Helmet safety standards for road workers, and EMS
- COVID-19 new infectious disease and what needs to be known about covid and Monkey Pox

### **Melissa Trumbull, (NAEMT)**

- New resource section on their website, new and evolving Infectious Diseases across the country.
- Covers ongoing COVID, newer topics such as Monkey Pox, equipment, and supplies to protect each person. <https://www.naemt.org/resources/infectious-disease>

### **Dr. Joseph Grover, (NAEMSP)**

- National collaborative of reducing Lights and Siren partnered with NEMSQA -50 systems participating in data submission and the efforts to collect and weekly education sessions for knowledge of use.
- Performance Improvement education for EMS Fellows trial of a virtual course was virtual June 2-3 as a pilot very successful.
- Continuing to offer a yearlong course of Quality Improvement Education, admission of 30 participants EMS Fellows and Physicians.

### **Welcome back John Todaro, (NAEMSE)**

- Nothing to report

### **Shirley Terry (NEMSMA)**

- EMS Physical Ability and wellness for personnel, 13 attendees, next meeting Aug 10, 2022

### **Dave Bryson (NHTSA OEMS)**

- NEMSQA L&S NASEMSO updated clinical guidelines. V.3  
[https://nasemso.org/wp-content/uploads/National-Model-EMS-Clinical-Guidelines\\_2022.pdf](https://nasemso.org/wp-content/uploads/National-Model-EMS-Clinical-Guidelines_2022.pdf)
- Patient Safety Considerations-** 1. Routine use of lights and sirens is not warranted
- AHRQ infection prevention and control for EMS- full evidence based guidelines
- Brian Tegtmeier out of Illinois took over Lori Flaherty's position - National 911 Program Coordinator, with the support of Kate Elkins.
- NRSS Safety committee safe system approach (post-crash care)  
<https://www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/2022-05/SS4A-Notice-of-Funding-Opportunity-FY22.pdf>  
<https://www.transportation.gov/briefing-room/nhtsa-announces-260-million-grants-highway-safety->

[programs-made-possible-bipartisan](https://www.transportation.gov/NRSS)  
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- Needs focus on struck by roadway events and other transportation related events need to lower to zero
- EMS workforce guidelines -EMS workforce measurement and evaluations, we need accurate data
- Field trauma triage evidence based guideline released by the ACS, DOT assisting the promotion.
- National model of EMS Clinical Guidelines are available on NASEMSO website.
- 988 been activated- Kate is the contact -Live 7/16/2022- CAD Assessment
- 911 program next generation nationwide GIS mapping gives exact place of caller in a crash a fighting chance of survival.
- Interstate and Intrastate sharing of info that is seamless with CAD-to-CAD communications

### **Clary Mole (NHTSA OEMS)**

- NEMSAC Meeting August 10-11, 2022 main meeting NHTSA letter, how to implemented at the state and local level for post-crash care; hot committee created.
- Professional safety subcommittee presenting a draft advisory entitled a strategy to mitigate negative impacts EMS well-being and safety.
- Webinar for 988- <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1750465816646506512>

### **John Brasko (USFA)**

- Electric vehicle catching on fire from battery overheating
- Roadway vehicle safety; covering struck by and blocking of vehicle, and towing and recovery
- Updated EMS Safety practices is now on website  
<https://www.usfa.fema.gov/downloads/pdf/publications/ems-safety-practices.pdf>
- Listening session on pandemic response  
USFA EMS Page <https://www.usfa.fema.gov/ems/> -Pandemic response listening session  
<https://www.usfa.fema.gov/coronavirus/planning-response/covid-19-response-listening-session.html>

### **OLD Business**

None

### **New Business**

Crash responder safety week November 14-18, 2022, sent out from NHTSA Friday July 8<sup>th</sup> webinars

**Next Meeting: September 21, 2022**

**Adjourn: 12:07pm**