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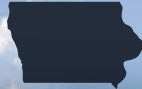
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- > **23rd Annual EMS Billing and Documentation Conference**
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A LETTER FROM OUR IEMSA PRESIDENT

TRACY FOLTZ, IOWA EMS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT



"The advance of technology is based on making it fit in so that you don't really even notice it, so it's part of everyday life." —Bill Gates

> As Emergency Medical Services adapts to current events and evolves, so must the Iowa Emergency Medical Services Association. Our association must stay active at local, state and national levels to be able to provide information and guidance to our individual and affiliate members through conferences, social media, emails and meetings. We collaborate with many entities to help improve EMS in Iowa.

As we approach the 4th quarter of this calendar year, I would like to hit on some of IEMSA's highlights so far this year.

WEBINAR SERIES:

We have implemented a new webinar series in conjunction with our partnership with Public Consulting Group (PCG). The first webinar in April focused on Mobile Integrated Health – Community Paramedicine. Part of the discussion was RHTP: Iowa Healthy Hometowns — Rural Health Transformation Funding for EMS. These discussions led IEMSA to develop a new benefit for our affiliate members. This benefit offers exclusive pricing for Grant-Ready MIH/CP Starter Package with PCG. Our second webinar in July, EMS as an Essential Service: Planning, Funding & System Sustainability,

focused on development, education and implementation with a panel discussion with key players from Shelby County. The recorded webinars and additional information are available on the IEMSA website, IEMSA Webinar Series – Iowa Emergency Medical Services Association. The next webinar is being planned for January 2027.

INAUGURAL EMERGING EMS TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE :

As AI and technology further develops, changes and enhances our world, EMS must also adapt with it. The IEMSA board decided to provide information to our members on this highly debated subject matter. This led to the development of a new conference, Emerging EMS Technology: Strategic Leadership to Implementation, featuring national speaker, published author and subject matter expert: Donnie Woodyard. Donnie's vast EMS experience and expertise can help leaders and providers formulate technology pathway into the future.

MEMBER BENEFITS: IEMSA is always working to improve our benefits for our members. We are currently in the process of developing a legal guidance benefit for our members. More information will be provided

as we move forward with law firm selection, negotiations and contract development. The IEMSA legislative committee is working with our lobbyist, Eric Goranson, to develop an action plan for the next legislative session and year to come.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE:

And of course, let us not forget about our 36th Annual EMS Conference and Trade Show. This year's event will not disappoint with a fantastic lineup of national, regional and local presenters, including "The EMS Avenger" – Jimmy Apple. Stop by the EMS trade show and visit our sponsors and exhibitors to see the latest in EMS equipment, services and information. For more information, (2026) 36th Annual IEMSA Conference and Trade Show.

Once again, I want to thank all of you for your service and dedication to EMS in our great state. And say thank you to our individual, affiliate and corporate members. With all of your dedication and support, the Iowa EMS Association is able to help to promote and advance EMS in the state of Iowa. I would also like to thank our partners and allied entities for their collaboration as IEMSA moves forward in this journey.

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BY IEMSA LOBBYIST-- ERIC GORANSON, Goranson Consulting, Inc.

OUR VOICE ON THE HILL LEGISLATION



> WHAT IEMSA ACCOMPLISHED FOR EMS THIS LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Two bills IEMSA worked this session made it through, and both of them put money where Iowa's EMS providers need it.

> SF 2496 — Protecting the EMS Levy from TIF Diversion

The Governor has signed SF 2496 into law. The bill closes a gap that has quietly cost EMS services real dollars: local governments diverting emergency medical services levy revenue into tax increment financing payments. Voters in county after county went to the polls and approved a levy for one reason, to fund emergency medical services in their community. That money was never intended to underwrite a development district. The plain word for what was happening is stealing, and now it's off the table.

Why this matters for your service: the EMS levy is, for many of you, the only dedicated and predictable revenue you have. Every dollar diverted is a dollar not spent on a rig, other equipment, or wages. Just as important, this protects the trust of the voters who approved that levy. When they see the money going where they were told it would go, the next levy vote gets easier.

> HF 2778 — EMS Income Tax Credit Extended to Volunteer Ambulance Drivers

HF 2778 adds volunteer ambulance drivers to the Iowa volunteer emergency services income tax credit, which previously reached volunteer firefighters, reserve peace officers, and volunteer emergency medical services personnel, but left drivers out. The driver is on the call, in the truck, and away from family, same as everyone else on the crew.

Why this matters for your service: recruitment and retention: It's recognition with a dollar figure attached, and it gives you something concrete to hand a prospect who's on the fence.

THE BIGGER PICTURE

Neither of these bills fully solves EMS funding issues in Iowa. What they do is protect the base you have and make the volunteer model slightly more sustainable while the larger essential service conversation continues. Both moved because legislators heard from providers in their own districts and some of you came to the Capitol and spoke at subcommittee meetings, not just because



IEMSA's lobbyist made an argument in a hallway. Keep that up. Your association is only as effective as the energy you put behind it both at the association level and in the field communicating the reality of your service's structure and needs to policymakers.

Moving forward we are exploring ways to increase reimbursements, protect the reputation and financial base of EMS, and block unfunded mandates that would detract from what you do. Stay tuned. There's never a dull moment in EMS policy.

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BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL AND TRAUMA SERVICES UPDATE

BY STEVE VANNATTA : NRP, EMS PROGRAM DIRECTOR, BEMTS



IMPORTANT UPDATES TO IOWA EMS SCOPE OF PRACTICE & ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 641-131 EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2026

Effective November 1, 2026, two significant updates will be implemented to support our state's Emergency Medical Services workforce:

IOWA EMERGENCY CARE CLINICIAN SCOPE OF PRACTICE (SEPTEMBER 1, 2026)

This updated scope of practice reflects current national EMS standards and clarifies the authorized skills and procedures for Iowa's certified emergency medical services clinicians.

IOWA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 641-131

These changes aim to reduce administrative complexity, ensure consistent statewide practices, and update continuing education and reactivation standards. For information pertaining to these updates, please go to the BEMTS website and click on the links located in the banner at the top of the

page. If you have any questions, please contact BEMTS at 515-631-0100 or contact your service programs field coordinator.

IOWA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 641-142 - OUT-OF-HOSPITAL DO-NOT-RESUSCITATE ORDERS

IAC 641-142 has been introduced to the administrative review process following changes enacted during the last session under [HF2305](#). Additional guidance will be provided once the review process is complete.

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE

Did you know that the Bureau publishes a quarterly newsletter? Stay informed on EMS and Trauma updates across Iowa and within BEMTS by subscribing at https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/IACIO/subscriber/new?qsp=IACIO_1003. Select "Bureau of Emergency Medical and Trauma Services" within the Department of Health and Human Services section.

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ADJUSTMENT REVERSAL GEMT UPDATE

FROM KATE PRESTON, MSW,
DIRECTED PAYMENT PROGRAM MANAGER
IOWA HHS, IOWA MEDICAID



EFFECTIVE: OCTOBER 1, 2026

PURPOSE: The purpose of this letter is to inform GEMT Providers/Participants effective October 1, 2026, the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT) Program rate will revert to the original amount specified in the rate letters e-mailed in the spring of 2026 provided after the finalization of the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025 Medicaid cost report.

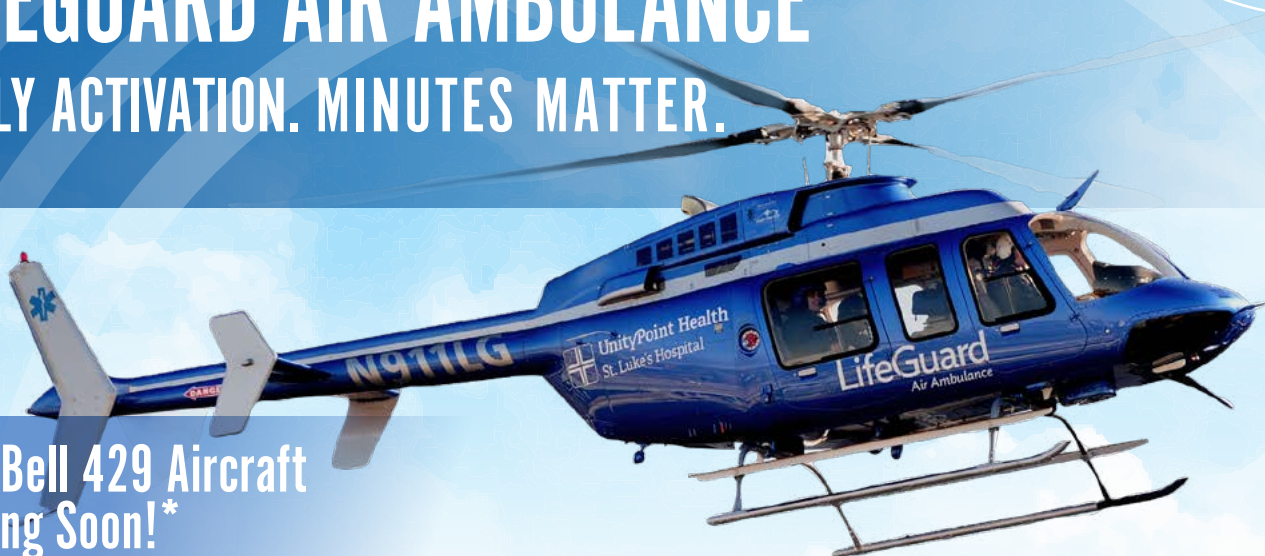
BACKGROUND/POLICY: This revision to revert to the original provided rate comes after meeting with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and addressing questions/concerns regarding the Working Family Tax Cut Legislation. CMS has now shared that it is not going to have the grandfathered limit apply to the GEMT Program.

Please refer to your original GEMT Rate Letter and/or please reach out to Kate Preston at kate.preston@hhs.iowa.gov if you need the original letter provided to you via e-mail.

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WHAT TO EXPECT FROM YOUR MEDICAL DIRECTOR

THOMAS STRIEGEL, IEMSA MEDICAL DIRECTOR



What should Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and the public expect of their EMS medical director?

As I gather birthdays, I gain new appreciation for simple truths revealed in television programing. Over the last 6 years, the program "Ted Lasso" continually speaks to this appreciation and I find many comparisons between

his work leading the Richmond Greyhounds (now Lady Greyhounds) and medical directors in striving to create an environment allowing prehospital care providers to be the best versions of themselves as they care for the sick and injured within their communities.

The role of an Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Medical Director is a profound intersection of clinical medicine, public safety, and community leadership. While paramedics and EMTs are the team's face of prehospital care, the medical director is the coach operating behind the scenes. To be an EMS Medical Director means bearing the ultimate responsibility for the quality of medical care delivered in the community. It is a position defined not just by a title, but by a continuous commitment to education, advocacy, oversight, support and accountability.

Because prehospital personnel operate under their license but as an extended authority of a physician, every protocol or guideline written, every drug or therapy administered, every life-saving procedure performed in the field is a direct reflection of the director's clinical practice. This requires the creation of evidence-based protocols that translate complex hospital-level medicine into actionable, field-expedient guidelines. As the practice of medicine is not static; guidelines must evolve alongside general medical advancements just as a team's playbook continually evolves.

Leadership in this role is found on and off the pitch through Quality Assurance (QA) and continuous education. A medical director must deeply engage with the system, review

challenging cases, identify systemic vulnerabilities, and address clinical errors with constructive mentorship plus reinforce strong performance. To be an effective director means fostering a culture of safety where EMTs and paramedics feel supported in their professional growth. It involves designing realistic training simulations and providing direct feedback, ensuring that the agency's personnel are prepared for high-stress, low-frequency clinical emergencies along with high frequency complex medical decision making in all prehospital healthcare.

Being an EMS Medical Director means acting as a vital conduit between the prehospital environment and the broader healthcare ecosystem, one that communicates in both directions. Emergency medical care does not exist in a vacuum as EMS serves as portal in and out of the hospital, encompassing components of the broader healthcare system. The director collaborates with emergency departments, trauma centers, stroke services, dispatch centers, and a myriad of other community resources to streamline transitions of care ensuring outcomes are optimized.

Never forget the role of medical director/coach as an advocate of the EMS professional. They verbally guide through telephone or telehealth, stand shoulder to shoulder in ditches, create visions of the future, champion the well-being of providers while celebrating victories and grieving losses, always recognizing the immense psychological toll of first response work and demanding mental health resources for those responders.

Ultimately, the medical director/coach demands a unique blend of humility and decisive authority. It is a role that carries immense weight, as a single systemic decision can impact thousands of lives. An EMS Medical Director accepts this responsibility willingly, driven by a dedication to public wellbeing through team delivered emergency care.

And the ability to "Believe"...

We hope you'll join us for an upcoming webinar and be part of the conversation about the future of EMS in Iowa.

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BOARD MEMBER NEWS



We are grateful for the following outgoing board members for their service and dedication to Iowa EMS Service Providers as a volunteer board member.

2025 OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS

Jerry Ewers: E-BOARD/AT-LARGE 2008-2025
Christopher Dahlstrom: NE REGION 2021-2025
Carl Ginapp: NORTH CENTRAL 2020-2025
Greg Higginbotham: E-BOARD/AT-LARGE 2023-2025

Welcome to the board to the following leaders that have willingly stepped up to serve Iowa EMS providers as volunteer board members for a 2-year term.

2025 NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Paul Andorf: AT-LARGE
Joel Knutson: NE REGION
Randy Elsbernd: NORTH CENTRAL
Jon Dunham: AT-LARGE



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KEEPING IOWA EMS INFORMED

PCG/IEMSA WEBINARS

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The EMS landscape continues to evolve at an unprecedented pace. Across Iowa and the nation, providers are navigating challenges related to workforce shortages, reimbursement, funding sustainability, healthcare transformation, and increasing expectations from the communities they serve.

To help EMS leaders stay informed and prepared, IEMSA and Public Consulting Group (PCG) have partnered to launch a quarterly webinar series focused on the issues and opportunities shaping the future of EMS.

The purpose of this webinar series is simple: provide Iowa EMS providers with timely, practical information that can help agencies make informed decisions, identify funding opportunities, and better position their organizations for long-term success. Each session is designed to highlight emerging trends and offer resources that agencies can take back to their departments and communities.

Our first webinar, held this spring, focused on Mobile Integrated Healthcare (MIH), Community Paramedicine, and funding opportunities available through Iowa's Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP). The session explored how EMS agencies can expand beyond traditional transport-based care models and play an increasingly important role in providing community-based healthcare services. Attendees learned about Iowa's significant investment in EMS-led healthcare transformation efforts and how MIH programs can support chronic disease management, post-discharge follow-up, maternal health initiatives, and other innovative care delivery models. Providers also received information about upcoming Rural Health Transformation funding opportunities.

Our next webinar will focus on EMS as an Essential Service, a topic that continues to generate significant interest throughout Iowa. Since the passage of Iowa's EMS Essential Service legislation, many counties have explored how dedicated funding mechanisms can help strengthen local EMS systems and ensure long-term service sustainability. The webinar will provide an opportunity to explore the evolving conversation surrounding EMS as an Essential Service and its potential implications for EMS systems across Iowa.

As the series continues, IEMSA and PCG hope to cover a variety of topics that are relevant to providers across the state. The goal is to create an ongoing educational resource that helps providers stay informed about changes occurring at both the state and national levels.

At PCG, we are passionate about supporting EMS agencies and helping them navigate an increasingly complex environment. Beyond sharing information, we hope this partnership provides agencies with practical tools, resources, and support that can help them pursue funding opportunities, evaluate new programs, strengthen financial sustainability, and better serve their communities. Whether an agency is exploring Mobile Integrated Healthcare, participating in GEMT, or simply looking for ways to prepare for future challenges, our goal is to serve as a resource and partner along the way.

We appreciate the opportunity to partner with IEMSA on this initiative and look forward to continuing these conversations with providers across Iowa. Together, we can share knowledge, explore new opportunities, and support the continued growth and success of EMS throughout the state.

We hope you'll join us for an upcoming webinar and be part of the conversation about the future of EMS in Iowa.



EMERGING EMS TECHNOLOGY

PRESENTED BY DONNIE WOODYARD, JR.

On September 9-10, the inaugural Emerging EMS Technology Conference took place in West Des Moines. Sixty-two EMS leaders from Iowa, Minnesota, Oklahoma, and Arkansas spent a day and a half working through how technology is reshaping our profession, and the depth of their questions showed exactly why events like this matter.

The topics ranged widely: AI, eVTOL and autonomous aircraft, autonomous vehicles, the future of transport, highway safety, road health, and innovation grant programs. Every one of them pointed back to a single question: in five years, should EMS be transportation to healthcare, or a core part of the healthcare infrastructure that is sometimes delivered on the move?

We explored what the answer demands. If EMS is healthcare, that has to mean more than a title. It requires infrastructure decisions, governance, regulatory change, and bold leadership. Technology alone will

not get us there.

Thank you to First Due for sponsoring copies of *The Future of Emergency Medical Services* (2nd Edition, Fire Engineering Books) and *Leadership in Action* for every attendee. Signing books and hearing attendees' own stories was a highlight.

Thank you to Donnie Woodyard for dedicating hundreds of hours to developing this program for the Iowa EMS Association and for delivering an intense workshop. Thank you to Sam Boyer of EMS Dev Solutions, Matt Mullen of First Due, former Oklahoma EMS Director Dale Adkerson, and the entire panel for a thoughtful look at where EMS is headed, and to Peyton Spurr for the music that closed out the evening. Most of all, thank you to the EMS leaders across Iowa who attended. Preparing EMS for what's next takes leaders willing to engage now, and we appreciate your dedication to the future of our profession.





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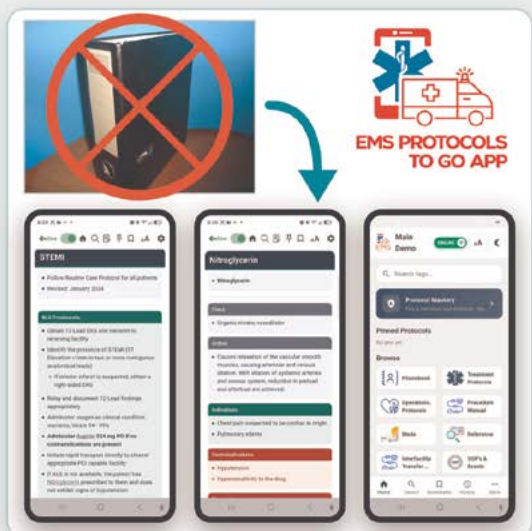
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2025 IEMSA AWARD HONOREES

TOM SUMMITT—IOWA EMS ASSOCIATION VICE-PRESIDENT, AWARDS COMMITTEE CHAIR

> Each year IEMSA is honored to recognize Iowa EMS Providers, Services, Dispatchers, Instructors, and Legislators that have shown exceptional dedication and service to their communities. They are nominated and awarded this award by those that hold them in high regard—their peers in EMS. They are both Volunteer and Career providers and in some cases both. It is truly a phenomenal honor to celebrate and recognize these phenomenal Iowans and Iowa Services. We also induct EMS providers into our Hall of Fame every year. These members have dedicated decades of service and time to their community and improving EMS across Iowa in many roles, from volunteer to career, from provider to management/leadership. We also recognize we cannot do what we do alone. Therefore, each year we like to recognize a special “Friend of EMS” and a “Legislator of the Year.”

Join us in the CCCU Memorial Building at the IEMSA 36th Annual Conference + Trade Show -- for our 2026 IEMSA Awards Ceremony Luncheon -- November 14th, from 12:05p-1:05p.

I’m positive you know someone in your community that more than deserves this honor and recognition. **Nominations are open for 2027 -- it’s never too early to nominate a Provider, Dispatcher, Instructor, Friend of EMS, legislator, EMS Physician or EMS Service (Volunteer and/or Career.)** The nomination form is on our website awards page: <https://iemsa.net/page/IEMSAAwards>. Nominate a provider, service, dispatcher, physician, legislator, instructor or Friend of EMS.

2025 IEMSA AWARD NOMINEES

FEATURING A FEW WORDS FROM THEIR NOMINATIONS:

JERRY EWERS - LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD :

“Today, we are honored to recognize a leader whose lifelong service and unwavering dedication have shaped the fire and EMS profession in Iowa for more than three and a half decades — Fire Chief Jerry Ewers of the Muscatine Fire Department.

Chief Ewers’ journey of service began in the United States Army, where he served as a combat medic from 1985 to 1988. It was there he earned his EMT certification and discovered his calling to a life of helping others.

In 1988, Jerry joined the Muscatine Fire Department — becoming one of the department’s very first paramedics. Over the next 36 years, he rose through the ranks as Firefighter, EMS Coordinator, Lieutenant, Captain, Assistant Chief, and ultimately Fire Chief in 2009 — a title he has held with distinction for the past 16 years.

Throughout his career, Chief Ewers has been a tireless advocate for firefighter safety, professional education, and community service. His leadership guided the construction of Fire Station 2 on Muscatine’s south side, expanded coverage for underserved areas, and modernized training and infrastructure. Following the tragic line-of-duty death of Firefighter Michael Kruse in 2002, Jerry made it his mission that no additional names would ever be added to that memorial wall — a commitment that has defined his leadership ever since.

Chief Ewers’ influence reaches far beyond Muscatine. He served two terms as President and Vice President of the Iowa EMS Association, as Secretary/Treasurer of the Iowa Association of Professional Fire Chiefs, and contributed to national initiatives through the International Association of Fire Chiefs, including the landmark white paper “Enhancing Fire-Based EMS.”

With degrees in Fire Science and Fire Administration, and as a graduate of the National Fire Academy Executive Fire Officer Program, Chief Ewers exemplifies professionalism, compassion, and integrity. His legacy is one of safety, innovation, and mentorship — building a stronger fire and EMS community for future generations.

After 36 years of dedicated service, Chief Ewers retires with immense pride in his department, his city, and the people he’s served. Tonight, we honor him not only for his achievements but for the example he has set for all of us in public safety.”

ROBYN DERNER - CAREER EMS PROVIDER OF THE YEAR :

“This award is a testament to her unwavering dedication and exceptional leadership during a time of significant challenge for our department.

Robyn is not only a devoted wife and mother of three boys in Granger, Iowa, but she also stepped into the role of Deputy Chief during a critical period when the Granger EMS department was facing severe difficulties, including legal battles, staffing issues, and a complete organizational overhaul. As a volunteer Deputy Chief, Robyn has selflessly dedicated countless hours, both day and night, to rebuild a department that the Granger community desperately needed and deserved.

Despite facing numerous obstacles, including resistance from former staff members who attempted to undermine her efforts, Robyn has demonstrated remarkable resilience and integrity. Her commitment to the department and the community is truly inspiring. The phrase “blood, sweat, and tears” aptly describes the immense effort, time, and devotion she has invested, often without recognition. She has navigated the complexities of paperwork and documentation while managing the stress of her role and maintaining her responsibilities as a mother and friend.”

SHELLEY STUMPF - VOLUNTEER EMS PROVIDER OF THE YEAR :

“Shelley, a retired Pocahontas Area Community School teacher, has devoted nearly 40 years to EMS. She currently serves as Director of the Rolfe Area Ambulance and also works part-time with the Pocahontas Ambulance Service. While Shelley’s official service as an EMT spans decades, her roots in EMS run even deeper—shaped by a lifetime of commitment to helping others.

Throughout her career, Shelley has worn many hats in EMS. She has been an educator, a mentor, and a leader. As Director of Rolfe Area Ambulance, she trains and guides her crew with compassion and integrity, earning their respect and trust. Her willingness to also serve part-time with the Pocahontas Ambulance Service demonstrates her deep dedication to ensuring access to emergency care across her county.

Shelley’s service to her community also extends into related, but equally critical, areas. She has served for years as a County Medical Death Investigator, ensuring dignity, professionalism, and compassion in some of the most difficult situations families face. In addition, she has been a long-time member of the area’s Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Team, offering support to fellow providers and community members during times of crisis and tragedy. These roles reflect her holistic understanding of community health and resilience, and her dedication to caring not only for patients but also for the providers and families impacted by emergencies.”

PALO ALTO COUNTY HEALTH SYSTEM - CAREER EMS SERVICE OF THE YEAR :

“A Team Beyond the Job --What makes Palo Alto County Health System excellent is not just what they’ve done for the community, but what they’ve done for each other. When unexpected circumstances left leadership absent, they didn’t falter. They worked extra shifts, sacrificed personal time, and carried the service forward without hesitation. They proved that EMS is not just a profession, it’s a brotherhood and sisterhood.

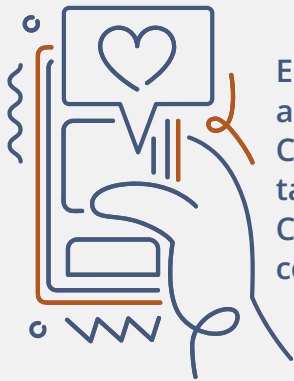
A Personal Reflection : As their director, I faced one of the hardest years of my life. There were moments I could not carry the weight alone. This team carried me. They showed me that true service extends inward, lifting one another when the burden grows heavy. They didn’t just keep the service alive; they gave me the strength to keep leading.



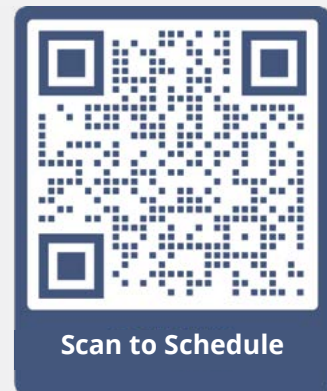
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On the morning of April 7, 2021, Andy left a note for his sons saying he was riding to get donuts and would be home soon. Tragically, he was struck from behind by a distracted driver and died from his injuries. In the midst of unimaginable grief, Andy's family learned that he had registered as an organ and tissue donor. When a hospital social worker explained to Andy's sons, ages 13 and 11, that their dad, who was passionate about recycling, had one final opportunity to "recycle" by donating his organs and tissue to help others, their response was immediate: "Well then we have to do it." Because of Andy's selfless decision and the love and support of his family, his final act became a powerful gift of life. Through organ and tissue donation, Andy has impacted 66 lives, ensuring that his generosity, compassion, and legacy continue to live on in every person he helped.



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Palo Alto County EMS is more than an ambulance service. They are the backbone of our county, the guardians of our people, and the proof that heart, grit, and teamwork can overcome any obstacle. They have shown the best of what EMS can and should be.” -- Jarid Kuchenreuther, Director, Palo Alto County EMS

BELLE PLAINE AREA AMBULANCE - VOLUNTEER EMS SERVICE OF THE YEAR :

“The Belle Plaine Area Ambulance Service is a small service but they are always seeking to improve the care they provide. There is now a CPR instructor on staff -- this allows for both staff and community education. As a volunteer service there are often struggles with staffing and finances. BPAA works hard to be fiscally responsible with the monies and is active in not only recruiting new staff but advancing the certifications of current staff. BPAA serves as a vital part of our community and are so very valued, Belle Plaine is fortunate to have such a dedicated service and staff to assist our town when the need arises.”

MARTY BENDA - DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR :

“Marty has dedicated over two decades to public safety and emergency services in Dubuque County, making a lasting impact both behind the radio and in the field.

Marty has served with the Dubuque 911 Communications Center for the past 10 years, the last 5 of which he has held the role of Lead Dispatcher. His leadership, calm presence, and unwavering commitment to the safety of responders and citizens alike has earned him the respect of colleagues across agencies.

Marty’s career in emergency services began in 2004 with Reiff Ambulance, which later became part of the City of Farley EMS. Over the last 21 years of continuous service, Marty has been a steadfast advocate for his community, balancing his dual roles in dispatch and EMS response. His service with Farley Fire/EMS was especially meaningful as it allowed him to serve alongside his father for several years, an experience that strengthened his commitment to his community and built trust with countless patients and families.

One call that stands out in Marty’s career highlights both his skill as a dispatcher and his deep compassion. Early in his time at Dubuque 911, Marty answered a call from a young female involved in a severe crash on Highway 3. The vehicle had left the roadway and was hidden in a creek bed. The caller was disoriented and unsure of her parents’ conditions. Marty calmly stayed on the line, reassuring her while simultaneously guiding deputies to the scene by tracking their sirens and proximity. His persistence led to the successful location of the family. While the father did not survive and the mother was critically injured, Marty’s ability to maintain connection with the caller and direct responders ultimately saved lives. A year later, Marty was able to meet the young girl he had spoken with that night, providing both closure and a reminder of the life-changing impact dispatchers have behind the scenes.”

BILLIE JONES - INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR :

“Billie Jones is a career CCP for MercyOne Elkader Ambulance and ER. She is also a certified instructor of EMS, BLS, and most recently an ACLS and PALS instructor. Billie has taught many BLS classes over the years and has taught 5 EMT classes. She is a wealth of knowledge and goes out of her way for her students. She has been known to make additional study items for her students and has spent several unpaid hours helping them practice. Billie is very up to date with education for herself. She has taken the Trauma Nurse Core Course, Emergency Nurse Pediatric Course and maintained her own Critical Care Certification. Billie works at MercyOne Elkader full time in the EMS and in the Emergency Department caring for patients. Recently Billie has been promoted to Operations Lead for the ambulance and is responsible for billing, schedule and QI for the ambulance service. She is a proud mom of an amazing senior boy in Monona and always makes time to attend his events. There have been several EMS students that have succeeded because of Billie. She has a no quit attitude and is strong on the outside but a heart of gold and relays that to her students. She has maintained a very high success rate of passing in the classes that she has taught and helped with. Recently, MercyOne

has transitioned over to Mercy College of Health Sciences in Des Moines. Billie’s strong organizational skills and go get it drive has made this an easier transition. I can name so many student names and contacts that would vouch for Billie’s amazing teaching skills and I can attest that Clayton County Iowa is better from the students and success in her classroom.”

DANIEL WING, MD - EMS PHYSICIAN OF THE YEAR :

“Dr. Wing joined Tipton EMS at a time of transition, stepping in when our previous medical director unexpectedly departed. Rather than hesitating to take on the challenges of leading an ambulance service, he embraced the opportunity with dedication and vision. From the very beginning, he chose not to simply serve as a name on paper—he became an active and engaged member of our team.

What makes Dr. Wing truly unique as an EMS medical director is the breadth and depth of his medical expertise. In addition to being board certified in Emergency Medicine, he has extensive training in obstetrics, global healthcare, wilderness medicine, and tactical medicine.

Dr. Wing’s compassion is also evident in times of struggle. Following especially difficult calls, he has facilitated critical incident stress debriefings not only for our team but for all agencies and participants involved. These efforts have been invaluable in helping responders process and heal after challenging events. Just as meaningful are the little things Dr. Wing does behind the scenes that make a huge impact—small gestures of support, quiet encouragement, or a thoughtful conversation that strengthens trust and builds resilience. Our team notices these moments, and they matter. His presence genuinely excites and reassures our providers, who see him not only as their medical director, but as a trusted mentor and guide.

Under his leadership, Dr. Wing has been instrumental in raising the level of care we provide to the residents of Cedar County. He is not only a medical director but also a mentor, educator, and advocate for both providers and patients. Dr. Wing regularly attends trainings, offering guidance, encouragement, and hands-on instruction to our EMS professionals. He is well known among our staff—not just as “the doctor,” but as “Dan,” a trusted partner who listens, teaches, and coaches through challenges. His approachable style has created an environment where our providers feel supported, valued, and empowered to grow.”

SEN. MIKE KLIMESH - LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR :

“Senator Klimesh has been a steadfast advocate and true partner to Iowa’s EMS community — championing legislation and policies that strengthen emergency medical services and ensure EMS remains an essential public service. His leadership has made a real difference for providers and patients across our state.”

DALTON JACOBSON - FRIEND OF EMS :

“Dalton Jacobson exemplifies the spirit of the “Friend of EMS” award through his unwavering dedication to Iowa’s emergency medical services community. With deep roots in EMS stemming from his family’s involvement with LifeLine and his own experience as a regional salesperson, Dalton has continued to elevate the industry since becoming the Iowa Dealer for LifeLine in 2024. Beyond his role in sales and service, Dalton consistently goes above and beyond—personally assisting with mechanical triage and offering expert guidance, often without compensation. His accessibility, knowledge, and genuine concern for the success of EMS organizations—regardless of whether they are his customers—make him a trusted ally and friend to many in the field. Dalton’s 24/7 support and willingness to listen and help with challenges facing EMS in Iowa reflect his deep commitment to the profession and its people.”

KIM YOUNGE - HALL OF FAME : *“For over 43 years, Kim devoted herself to EMS in Marshall County, serving as a mentor, leader, and friend to countless professionals. Her compassion, professionalism, and calm presence in times of crisis have defined her remarkable career. Her legacy of care and mentorship will continue to inspire generations to come.”*

JEFF PEASE (POSTHUMOUSLY) - HALL OF FAME : *“It is our solemn*

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honor to induct Jeff Pease into the IEMSA Hall of Fame posthumously. Jeff dedicated over 26 years of volunteer service to EMS, responded to more than 3,000 calls, and taught CPR to thousands of students. His legacy of service lives on through the Jeff Pease Memorial Fund, which continues to support community education and emergency preparedness. His impact on Iowa EMS will never be forgotten."

DICK DIRKSEN (POSTHUMOUSLY) - HALL OF FAME

"For 25 years, Dick served Rock Valley EMS with innovation, compassion, and unwavering dedication. His leadership and mentorship have left a lasting mark on his community and on EMS professionals across Iowa. He truly represents the spirit of excellence and service that defines our profession."

LEE RIDGE - HALL OF FAME

"The impact of Lee on EMS in the State of Iowa cannot be understated. As an EMS Provider he provided care at the highest level of our profession, as a Flight Paramedic. Lee then transitioned to education, which is where his impact was far greater. There are few EMS Providers in Iowa who have not been taught by Lee in some capacity. Whether this was during his time at UIHC's EMSLRC, countless EMS Education Days, conferences, or one-on-one education at the end of his career at Waverly Health Center in the Ambulance Department. Lee has a way of connecting with each and every EMS Provider so that they learn how they need to learn. With the number of people Lee has educated, it is easy to say that many of the patients transported in ambulances here in Iowa were in some way impacted by what he has done. Despite being retired Lee will likely still be found teaching EMS Providers how to care for people."

MARK SACHEN (POSTHUMOUSLY) - HALL OF FAME

Today, we honor the life and legacy of a man whose dedication to Emergency Medical Services changed the landscape of care and advocacy across our state — Mark Sachen.

Mark's journey in EMS began at North Iowa Area Community College, where he earned his EMT certification and soon discovered his lifelong calling to serve others. From those early days, Mark poured his heart into this profession — teaching CPR, first aid, and EMT courses at NIACC and inspiring thousands of first responders who would go on to save lives in communities across Iowa.

Mark's leadership extended far beyond the classroom. Elected to the IEMSA Board of Directors in 2014, he went on to serve as our President for two terms, from 2018 through 2022. His vision, integrity, and determination helped elevate Iowa EMS to new heights. One of his proudest accomplishments was championing the passage of the EMS as an Essential Service legislation in 2021 — a historic achievement that forever strengthened the future of our profession.

Even as his health challenged him, Mark's faith and selflessness never wavered. He continued to serve — as Immediate Past President of IEMSA, as a volunteer with Nora Springs EMS, and as a steady, trusted mentor and friend to so many in this room tonight.

Mark's life was never driven by recognition or reward — but by compassion, humility, and a deep desire to make the world better. His legacy will continue to live on through every responder he trained, every student he encouraged, and every patient whose life was touched by those he inspired.

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FROM A SERVICE DIRECTOR'S STANDPOINT AND WHY THE "BEAN COUNTERS" APPROVE

BY TRACY FOLTZ—IEMSA PRESIDENT, CHIEF MEDIC - SIOUX CENTER AMBULANCE, NW REGION BOARD MEMBER

I started writing this article as an IEMSA Executive Board Member, then I decided I should complete it as a Service Director. Like every director, I focus first and foremost on providing our team with the education, knowledge and tools they need to provide the best possible care to our patients. As an Affiliate Member, our service is able to take advantage of IEMSA's affordable CEs/CEHs and update-to-date information available at the Iowa EMS Annual Conference & Trade Show, Regional EMS Billing & Documentation Conference, Leadership Academy and more. As a director, I am able to network with other leaders and directors to find out how their services evolve and to share struggles we all face and best practices our services use to succeed. I also feel like I have a voice in the direction Iowa EMS is heading. As an Affiliate Member, your service is offered 1 FREE Seat in the Pre-Conference Leadership/Management Workshop at the Annual IEMSA Conference & Trade Show held in Des Moines every November.

Here is what the "Bean Counters" like...In a leadership role, you are always looking for ways to maximize how far the budget will stretch and how to minimize expenditures. However, one budget line item our service automatically renews every budget cycle is our IEMSA Affiliate Membership. Your service receives free individual memberships (1-3) based your service's level of Affiliate Membership, based off of service call volume. Our service even purchases individual memberships for

all of our members, even though some may go "unused." Why? you may ask. The answer is simple, the BENEFITS far outweigh the cost. As an Affiliate Member, your service receives financially significant benefits. The group purchasing program (currently contracted with Bound Tree Medical) is included with your affiliate membership. The discounted pricing for products averages out to an estimated savings of 40%, plus free shipping as well. **This savings alone more than covers our service's affiliate and individual memberships annual fees.** Our service participates in the Iowa GEMT program and contracts through Public Consulting Group (PCG) for our Medicaid cost reporting. PCG provides a discounted fee with no up-front costs for IEMSA Affiliate members for this service. With their assistance, our Medicaid reimbursement for emergency transport has increased by nearly 400%. Your service is able to post job ads on the IEMSA website at no cost.

Although there are too many benefits to write about, I wanted to highlight a few of the significant ones I feel as a Service Director for a smaller service make an Affiliate Membership well worth the cost. I feel the most important benefit of either an Affiliate or Individual Membership is that your service and team have a voice and representation through the IEMSA board members who represent your region. Please reach out to your area board representative if you have any additional information or have any questions.

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NEW PAYMENT OPTIONS Include: Credit/debit card/Auto-Pay (no opt out if you pay by this method, but you can cancel it after you pay--instructions at checkout,) ACH Payments or select "Bill Me" the system will e-mail you a link to an invoice. Memberships are not activated until payment is received. **Mail Checks to:** IEMSA, PO Box 65098, West Des Moines, IA 50265.

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No matter your level of service, type of department, or patch on your sleeve, IEMSA is here to serve you and help be your VOICE be heard in Iowa. Some join for the professional recognition and networking opportunities, while some join for the member benefits and discounted educational opportunities that are held throughout the year across Iowa. Others join for the resources, group purchasing, quarterly VOICE publication, our strong advocacy efforts, and timely member alerts through eNews. There are plenty of other associations, such as NAEMT, IAFF, AAA, NAEMSP, NAEMSE, and many more, but only IEMSA is geared towards focusing on EMS issues in Iowa that affect all of us personally and professionally.

> WHY SHOULD YOU SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT IEMSA MEMBERSHIP? There are so many benefits with this low cost membership. The most important for any EMS provider is the \$10,000 accidental death/dismemberment policy offered to each member. In our high risk line of duty this could be a huge asset to your family. If you are a member, have you filled out your beneficiary designation? We want to make sure all families receive this benefit if needed so fill out this form ASAP. You can find the form at this link: https://cdn.ymaws.com/iemsa.site-ym.com/resource/resmgr/add_policy_pdf/2024_indv_iemsa_beneficiaryf.pdf

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> IEMSA is your advocate at the state level and local level. Each region has representatives that you can reach out to. We have made great strides in Iowa with the legislators. Your involvement in your professional association is important to EMS. We need your voice to make important improvements in the state and national level. We can't do it without you!

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IEMSA BILLING & DOCUMENTATION CONFERENCE

BY CHUCK GIPSON : BILLING CONFERENCE CHAIR

This year's Billing and Documentation Conference we had another great turnout, a total of ninety-one attendees for the 22nd Annual Iowa EMS Association Billing and Documentation conference held on August 11 + 12, 2026 at the Hilton Garden Inn in West Des Moines. Once again, Doug Wolfberg, founding partner of Page, Wolfberg & Wirth, and one of the best known EMS attorneys and consultants in the United States, captivated those attending with all 12 required hours of comprehensive education helpful for not only billers, but EMS Providers and Service Directors.

To finish things off we offered a 1/2 day workshop—offering Iowa EMS Services a chance to learn from our partners at Public Consulting Group (PCG) the rules of participation in the Iowa Ground Emergency Medical Transport program (IA GEMT). IEMSA worked to make this federal supplemental funding available to Iowa EMS Providers in 2018 to help reimburse public EMS providers for uncompensated costs related to the provision of transports to Medicaid patients. In the first 2 years alone, IEMSA Public EMS providers received \$7.6 million dollars in federal match funds under IA GEMT.

Kate Preston and Jeff Marston delivered an update on the Proposed GEMT Rules Changes. Our members worked hard to voice their concerns about these new rules, and we were able to reverse the proposed changes. See full article on page 9.

The IEMSA Legislative Committee also held a meeting in conjunction with this conference to establish talking points and strategy for the next legislative session. We are working hard for you on the Hill.

SAVE-THE-DATE for the
23rd ANNUAL IEMSA REGIONAL
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August 10 + 11, 2027 at the
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Our Band "Medically UnNecessary"
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IEMSA EMS EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

> 2027 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION IS ONLINE

JAMIE TEMPLE, EDUCATION BOARD MEMBER/SCHOLARSHIP CHAIR

> This year will be the ninth year IEMSA has awarded scholarships. Scholarship Funds are intended to assist those hoping to enter the emergency medical services job force or for established members of the EMS community looking to advance their education and certification level. Emergency Medical Services personnel are essential features of any disaster management effort. Whether paid or volunteer, EMS is often the first to arrive at accident sites, making split-second life-saving decisions during every shift. Quality education and comprehensive training is essential for EMS providers and paramedics, because no two disasters, emergencies or accidents are alike. The goal of the IEMSA annual scholarship fund is to encourage continued improvement and advancement for our state's providers.

APPLICATIONS ARE IN FOR THE 2026 SCHOLARSHIPS, WE LOOK FORWARD TO AWARDING THOSE SCHOLARSHIPS AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON NOVEMBER 14, 2026.

PLEASE CONSIDER APPLYING FOR A 2027 SCHOLARSHIP NOW OR FORWARD INFORMATION ON TO OTHER POTENTIAL RECIPIENTS- DEADLINE 9/1/27.

> Are you a student looking for assistance to help pay for your EMS Course? Are you a service that has students that are in an EMS Class that you are paying for? If you answered yes to either one of the questions above IEMSA can help. In 2017 the IEMSA Board of Directors approved the allotment of \$7,500.00 to be given away in scholarships to students who are enrolled in an Iowa EMS Program.

> The goal of the IEMSA annual scholarship fund is to encourage continued improvement and advancement for our state's providers. Initial certification requires schooling, and continuing education, and it also plays an important role in keeping EMS personnel on the cutting edge of life-saving first responder protocols. College level programs exist at two and four-year colleges. Whether basic or advanced-EMT, school can be costly. IEMSA would like to assist individuals with scholarship funding to help achieve or further career goals.

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> There will be six \$1,000 scholarships awarded to one student from each of our six IEMSA Regions. The only guidelines are that the student must be a student member of IEMSA and the training program that they are enrolled in must be an affiliate member of IEMSA. In addition to these six scholarships we will be awarding two \$500 scholarship each to two individuals that are pursuing a certificate for EMR, EMT, AEMT or PARAMEDIC.

> One \$500 scholarship will also be awarded to a training program to be utilized at their discretion. Funds are intended to assist those hoping to enter the emergency medical services job force or for established members of the EMS community looking to advance their education and certification level.

CONGRATULATIONS 2025 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS:

- > **ABIGAIL LORAN FLAHERTY** : \$1000 Region Scholarship
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- > **JULIA REBECCA KREMER** : \$1000 Region Scholarship
Paramount EMS Academy
- > **KATIE HAUSER** : \$1000 Region Scholarship
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Western Iowa Tech Community College
- > **ZACHARY LEE ONKEN** : \$1000 Region Scholarship
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- > SIX \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE
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Application Information Available Here:

<https://iemsa.net/page/ScholarshipProgram>

SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS:

Scholarships are one time only and are not awarded on a repetitive basis. IEMSA members and direct family of IEMSA members will be given preference. Scholarship recipients will be contacted individually and announced at the 36th Annual IEMSA Conference & Trade Show, on Saturday, November 14, 2026 at the EMS Ceremony Luncheon.

STUDENT QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

- > YOU MUST BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF IEMSA. STUDENT MEMBERSHIPS ARE FREE for the first year of training.
- > THE TRAINING CENTER/COLLEGE THE STUDENT IS ENROLLED IN MUST BE AN IEMSA AFFILIATE TRAINING CENTER MEMBER for their student to receive the award.
- > TRAINING CENTER/COLLEGE MUST BE LOCATED IN IOWA.
- > A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FROM THE TRAINING CENTER/COLLEGE must accompany the scholarship application.
- > SCHOLARSHIP CHECKS WILL BE MADE PAYABLE TO the awardee designated Training Center.
- > DEADLINE TO RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD FUNDS December 31, 2027
- > ONLY THOSE APPLICATIONS WHICH ARE COMPLETE, accurate and received by the deadline will be considered.
- > IEMSA WILL NOTIFY ALL APPLICANTS BY E-MAIL of the status of their application.
- > EMS SCHOLARSHIPS ARE NOT AWARDED FOR course work already taken.
- > STUDENTS AWARDED A SCHOLARSHIP—must submit a "Statement of Acceptance" and send it to the IEMSA office before December 1, 2027.

THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA WILL BE USED IN THE SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS:

- > Dedication to the profession.
- > Financial need.
- > Dedication to the community.
- > Service as a positive ambassador for IEMSA.



36TH ANNUAL IEMSA CONFERENCE & TRADE SHOW

Attending the IEMSA Conference is a great way to obtain quality recertification continuing education. IEMSA is diligent in its efforts to provide a conference that meets the needs of nursing, and all levels of EMS Providers. This year IEMSA appreciates the support of Eastern Iowa Community College, who makes continuing education possible at our conference. IEMSA is deeply committed to providing a conference that is timely and relevant as well as opportunities to network and recharge.

Register Before October 29th

Avoid \$50 late fee. Your registration must be received in our office or posted online by 12AM October 28th.

ALL REGISTRANTS WILL RECEIVE A GIFT AT REGISTRATION.

> REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Register prior to October 28th to ensure entrance to the conference.

Registrations received after this date and on-site registrations may be limited. IEMSA will not invoice services for payment. PO's are not an accepted form of payment. Register by October 28th before 12am on October 29th to SAVE \$50.

> CONFIRMATION: Registrations processed online will automatically receive a registration confirmation immediately via email. All others will not receive a confirmation unless requested by email to: administration@iemsanet.net.

> CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY: Refunds, less a \$50 processing fee, will be made for cancellations made prior to October 28th. No refunds will be made for cancellations after October 28th. IEMSA reserves the right to cancel any session or special event that does not meet the minimum requirements, or to change a speaker as necessary.

> REGISTRATION SIGN-IN: Packets and badges will be available for pick up in the first floor of the Veteran's Memorial Community Choice Credit Union during the following hours: Thursday, Nov. 12, from 7:15am to 5:00pm; Friday, Nov. 13, from 6:45am to 5:00pm; and Saturday, Nov. 14 from 7:15am to Noon.

IEMSA MEMBERS: Don't forget to join IEMSA or renew your membership. Conference registration member discount not allowed for non-active members. NON-Active Members taking the conference discount will be billed accordingly. Visit www.iemsanet.net and go to Membership for all the details.

> CELL PHONES/PAGERS: Out of courtesy for fellow attendees, it is requested that all cell phones and pagers be turned off during all sessions, the Awards Ceremony, and the "HONORING OUR OWN" Presentation.

> BREAKS: Coffee, tea and water will be available during registration. Two refreshment breaks will be provided on Friday and Saturday at no additional cost—served in the exhibit hall.

> TWO OPTIONS FOR LUNCHES:

Our venue is a little farther away from the usual lunch sites, and with the short lunch break, we are encouraging you to include one of TWO OPTIONS for LUNCH at the event.

OPTION 1: Our plated hot/sit-down lunch in your registration is \$28/day, a discounted price from what we are charged. These Lunches must be purchased when you register—you will not be able to purchase a lunch the day of the event.

OPTION 2: NEW! Vendor Hall Lunch Tickets are available at time of Registration for a discounted \$18/lunch/ticket. You'll have the option of 7 different Lunch Baskets with a Drink. Concession stands will be available in the Exhibit Hall during the lunch break on Thursday, Friday and Saturday in Hall-C. These Lunch Baskets w/Drink are available by Credit Card without a ticket at higher cost per lunch.

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EXHIBIT HALL HOURS:

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- **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH: 9:00AM-4PM**
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DRAWINGS WILL BE DONE DURING THE AM AND PM BREAKS ONLY—**MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN.**
- **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH: 9:15AM-3:00PM**
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> AWARDS CEREMONY: Saturday, November 14th, 12:05-1:05pm, during lunch. Awards given for EMS Service - Career and Volunteer, EMS Individual - Career and Volunteer, EMS Instructor, Dispatcher, Friend of EMS, and Hall of Fame.

> "HONORING OUR OWN" CEREMONY: Saturday, November 14th, 10:05a-10:55am-Ballroom (Level 3) Please join us in honoring those no longer with us at this moving ceremony.



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> EMS CEHS:

EASTERN IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE will award one continuing education hour (CEH) of credit for each hour attended. CEHS earned will be applicable for renewal of an Iowa EMS Provider certification—Core Topics are indicated for each class.

IMPORTANT UPDATES to Iowa EMS Scope of Practice & Administrative Code 641-131 Effective November 1, 2026

For information pertaining to these updates, please go to the [BEMTS website](https://bemts.org) and click on the links located in the banner at the top of the page. If you have any questions, please contact BEMTS at 515-631-0100 or contact your service programs field coordinator. For NREMT Renewal Guidance: <https://nremt.org/Handbooks/Recertification>

NEW! EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2026 :
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Cardiology	2	5	6	7
Trauma	1	3	4	5
Medical	2.5	6	7	8
Operations	1	2	3	4
Pediatric	1	2	3	4
Totals	9	22	28	34

> NURSING CONTACT HOURS:

NEW RULES: IEMSA still provides courses that are well qualified for nursing hours. However, the Iowa Board of Nursing no longer approves

Nursing hours. They leave it up to the individual providers to attend courses that qualify for their renewal. Included below are the guidelines for qualifying Nursing hours.

Nurses will also determine whether course content meets the IBON's criteria for appropriate continuing education subject matter as outlined in IAC 655—5.2(3):

- Nursing practice related to health care of patients/clients/families in any setting.
- Professional growth and development related to nursing practice roles with a health care focus.
- Sciences upon which nursing practice, nursing education, or nursing research is based.
- Social, economic, ethical, and legal aspects of health care.
- Management of or administration of health care, health care personnel, or health care facilities.
- Education of patients, a patient's significant others, students, or personnel in the health care field.

> EMS CEH PROCESS:

IEMSA PARTICIPANTS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED TO INCLUDE NAME, LEVEL OF CERTIFICATION, CERTIFICATION NUMBER, AND BIRTHDATE (necessary to avoid duplication in recording hours). At check-in, the day of the conference, you will receive a nametag with a barcode. In order to be awarded EMS CE (for nurses a certificate of classes completed) each attendee must have their nametag barcode scanned after each presentation attended.

> AFTER THE CONFERENCE | WATCH YOUR EMAIL

After the conference, you will receive your "Certificate of Attendance" which will indicate all the courses you attended with detailed information, including Iowa EMS sponsor number as designation of core topics as required by the state of Iowa. Before you can access your certificate—the link will require you to take a quick post-conference survey. After the survey is complete—you will see a link to your certificate in the top left corner of your screen. Click that link—to show your certificate. You can then download, save, and/or print it.

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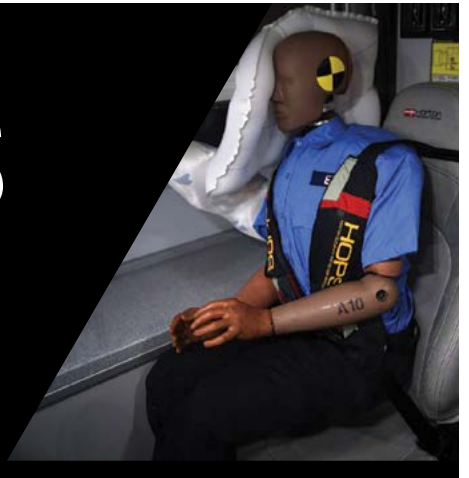
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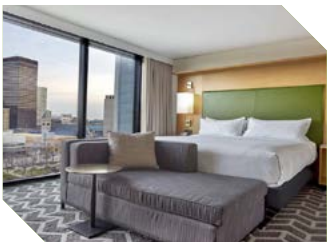
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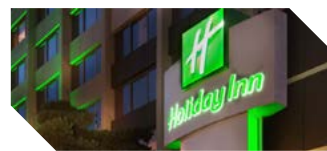
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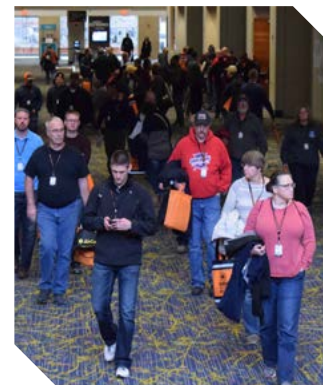
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PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2026

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS/SPEAKERS

EMS CEHs Approved -- Core Topic is indicated

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11:50 PM - 12:50 PM -- LUNCH BREAK FOR ALL 1/2 DAY WORKSHOPS

1/2 DAY PRE-CONFERENCE : MORNING MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTH (MIH) WORKSHOP

8:00 AM - 11:50 AM [NO CE's] 4.0

—THOMAS STRIEGEL, MD

\$70 MEMBER / \$105 NON-MEMBER

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IOWA EMS TRAINING PROGRAMS ASSOCIATION

• Using Pathophysiology for a Basis for Teaching in the EMS Classroom

This half-day workshop guides participants through the Mobile Integrated Health (MIH) process. In addition to brief didactic review, case based discussions and group interaction with role playing to hone your skills for the real world. Topics include recognizing common challenges, leveraging partners and relationships, building bridges after deconstructing silos, and understanding the financial and access-to-care benefits an MIH program can bring to your community.

1/2 DAY PRE-CONFERENCE : MORNING PREHOSPITAL ADVANCED AIRWAY SESSION

8:00 AM - 11:50 AM [ARV] 4.0

— LEAD INSTRUCTOR: BRIAN JENNETT, MD

\$70 MEMBER / \$105 NON-MEMBER

Instruction and practice with commonly encountered airway scenarios to include contaminated airways, Extra-glottic devices, cricothyrotomy, and post arrival to hospital interventions.

1/2 DAY PRE-CONFERENCE : MORNING INTRO/++REFRESHER EMS SERVICE/MEDICAL DIR. WORKSHOP

8:00 AM - 11:50 AM [OPERATIONS] 4.0

—DR. PETER GEORGAKAKOS

BEMTS MEDICAL DIRECTOR AND BEMTS REGULATORY STAFF

\$70 MEMBER / \$105 NON-MEMBER

Purpose: This workshop is designed for **NEW Service/Medical Director**. This course provides a general overview of the role, duties, and responsibilities of the EMS Physician Medical Director and Service Director. It is intended for new EMS leaders or those who aspire to become a leader in their organization, or who desire a review of the essentials of leading an EMS agency.

1/2 DAY PRE-CONFERENCE : AFTERNOON AIRWAY ANATOMY & TRAUMA MANAGEMENT LAB

12:20 PM - 4:30 PM | [ARV 2.0 + TRAUMA 2.0]

—PRESENTED BY LUCAS GOODIN + MARK MCCULLOCH

\$70 MEMBER / \$105 NON-MEMBER

• **AIRWAY ANATOMY LAB:** This session uses pig heart and lungs to teach basic airway anatomy, respiratory physiology, and core airway management skills, including intubation and surgical airway concepts. The first hour is a focused didactic review; the second hour is a guided, hands-on lab.

• PENETRATING TRAUMA LAB:

- Overview of Shock
- Ballistics 101 (Kinematics of Projectile Trauma)
- Review Management of Firearms Related Injuries: Extremity Injury, Torso-Junctional Injury, Torso Injury, Chest Wounds
- Review Blast Injury Patterns and Treatment
- Review Treatment of Burn

1/2 DAY PRE-CONFERENCE : AFTERNOON PRE-HOSPITAL RESUSCITATION - IMPROVING OUTCOMES ONE AFTERNOON AT A TIME.

12:50 PM - 4:45 PM | [CARDIAC] EMS 4.0

—JAMIE TEMPLE, BA, NRP, CCP - FIREFIGHTER BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ALLIANCE

\$70 MEMBER / \$105 NON-MEMBER

This half-day workshop will shine a focused light on current best practices in cardiac arrest management. Experienced providers from across the state of Iowa will lead engaging discussions, review the latest research, and guide participants through multiple hands-on resuscitation scenarios. These evolutions will incorporate state-of-the-art equipment and adjunctive therapies, offering participants the opportunity to both lead and support dynamic simulations. Whether you're an individual looking to sharpen your clinical skills, a training officer seeking fresh ideas, or a member of a team aiming to improve group performance, this workshop is for you. Practice until excellence becomes second nature. Designed for both BLS and ALS providers, this session reflects the reality of tiered response systems. When every second counts, the public expects peak performance. They may not understand the preparation behind great care—but you do. Spend the afternoon building your confidence and readiness for the next cardiac arrest dispatch.

1/2 DAY PRE-CONFERENCE : AFTERNOON REFRESHER : EMS SERVICE/MEDICAL DIR. WORKSHOP

12:50 PM - 4:45 PM | [OPERATIONS] 4.0

—DR. PETER GEORGAKAKOS

BEMTS MEDICAL DIRECTOR AND BEMTS REGULATORY STAFF

\$70 MEMBER / \$105 NON-MEMBER

Purpose: This course a **REFRESHER Course for the seasoned/Veteran Service/Medical Director**. This course provides a review of the roles and responsibilities of the EMS Physician Medical Director and Service Director, including a refresher on the essential regulatory responsibilities of an EMS service. We will take a deeper dive into specific topics of interest in the ever-changing landscape of EMS. This course is intended for more experienced physician medical directors and service directors, but all EMS leaders and aspiring leaders are welcome to attend.

THURSDAY NIGHT

THE GATHERING PLACE PARTY

8:00PM - 11:00PM

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PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2026

FULL DAY -- WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS/SPEAKERS

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FULL DAY : PRE-CONFERENCE EDUCATOR/INSTRUCTOR WORKSHOP

8:00 AM - 4:45 AM | [MEDICAL] 3.0

—JOE MISTOVICH, MED, NRP

\$140 MEMBER / \$175 NON-MEMBER

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IOWA EMS TRAINING PROGRAMS ASSOCIATION

• Using Pathophysiology for a Basis for Teaching in the EMS Classroom

This session is designed to clarify and provide EMS educators with basic principles of pathophysiology that should be taught in EMS education programs from EMT to Paramedic. The session will also provide educators with strategies on how to teach and apply the pathophysiology to make it clinically relevant to assessment and emergency medical treatment and how to engage the student to become active participants in learning and understanding the pathophysiology.

SESSION OBJECTIVES

- List and discuss the pathophysiology principles integral to EMS education
- Describe strategies on how to incorporate pathophysiology into every clinical lesson

• NREMT Technology Enhanced Item (TEI) Types and Construction

This session will review the distribution and types of technology enhanced items (TEIs) currently being used on the National Registry EMR, EMT, Advanced EMT and Paramedic exams. It will also provide you with direction on how to develop teacher-made test items that do not require any special test administration technology to familiarize students with the TEI formats.

SESSION OBJECTIVES

- Describe test item content areas by level of EMS provider
- Summarize test item type distribution by the level of EMS provider
- Describe the types of technology enhanced item (TEI) formats
- Explain the components of the clinical judgment scenarios
- Constructing teacher-made TEI types

• A Transition in EMS Education: A Student-Centered Approach to Teaching and Learning

This session will focus on developing a learning approach and environment that shifts from the traditional teacher-centered method to a student-centered approach that makes the student the primary focus in their own education while the EMS educator becomes a facilitator for their learning. The student-centered approach transitions the student from memorizing to active participation in understanding the material. The basic components and practical methods to make this transition will be presented.

SESSION OBJECTIVES

- Describe the difference in the philosophy of a teacher-centered versus a student-centered approach to teaching and learning
- Identify and discuss the components of a traditional teacher-centered classroom
- Identify and discuss the transition to and components of a student-centered classroom for cognitive and psychomotor learning
- Describe the benefits of a student-centered approach to teaching and learning
- Discuss how to implement a lesson using a student-centered method of teaching and learning.

FULL DAY : PRE-CONFERENCE CRITICAL CARE WORKSHOP

8:00 AM - 4:50 PM

\$140 MEMBER / \$175 NON-MEMBER

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM | [MEDICAL] 1.0

• CRITICAL CARE PHARMACOLOGY

9:10 AM - 10:10 AM | [ARV] 1.0

• VENTILATOR MANAGEMENT (NIV)

—DR. BENJAMIN WILKINSON

10:20 AM - 11:20 AM | [ARV] 1.0

• PROCEDURAL SEDATION / CRITICAL AIRWAYS

—THOMAS STRIEGEL, DO CRITICAL CARE PARAMEDIC, NCEE

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM | [CARDIAC] 1.0

• THE SOUND OF SILENCE — WHAT TO DO WHEN THE

TURBINE STOPS SPINNING (EMS CARDIOVASCULAR SUPPORT, BALLOON PUMP, IMPELLA)

—DR. GIGI LANDAL

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM **LUNCH**

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM | [MEDICAL] 1.0

• MEDICAL CRITICAL CARE CASES (ULTRASOUND)

2:40 PM - 3:40 PM | [TRAUMA] 1.0

• TRAUMA CRITICAL CARE CASES INVOLVING PREHOSPITAL BLOOD PRODUCTS USE

—DR. JOSHUA TUREK

3:50 PM - 4:50 PM | [MEDICAL] 1.0

• CLINICAL DECISION MAKING IN SEPSIS, INCORPORATING LAB VALUE INTERPRETATION

—THOMAS STRIEGEL, DO CRITICAL CARE PARAMEDIC, NCEE

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KEYNOTE SESSIONS

7:45 - 9:00 AM

HOW TO SAVE EMS

[OPERATIONS] 1.5

"THE EMS AVENGER," JIMMY APPLE, NRP

The City of EMS was once a shining city on a hill. Now it's a city in ruins. We're going to walk amongst the ashes and share the interwoven stories of two people whose lives intersected with the City of EMS. We'll walk in their shoes, identify where things went wrong, and explore how we can salvage the City of EMS and rebuild.



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3:50 - 5:05 PM

BACK TO THE FUTURE: IS 'REGRESSION' THE KEY TO OUR FUTURE?

—MATT ZAVADSKY, MS-HSA, NREMT

[OPERATIONS] 1.5

EMS system design and delivery is rapidly changing due to the failing EMS economic model, growing EMS worker shortage, and lessons learned from the public health emergency. A growing body of patient outcomes research seems to prove that what we once thought was real, may no longer be true. Is what we once thought archaic, now becoming best practice? Ideas that would have been considered heresy a few years ago are becoming acceptable. What changes are occurring? What myths are being dispelled? How can you effectively educate your community to safely transition your system from the current state to the future state? These questions and more will be answered during this dynamic, interactive and, at times, controversial session.



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TRACK 1 BREAK-OUTS : BLS

9:45 - 10:45 AM

PEDIATRIC CARDIAC ABNORMALITIES AND CARDIAC ARREST: RECOGNITION, RESPONSE, AND RESUSCITATION

[PEDIATRIC] 1.0 - LUCAS GOODIN, APP, NRP, CC-P, FP-C, FF

This session will review common pediatric cardiac abnormalities, key clinical warning signs, and the unique approach to pediatric cardiac arrest in the prehospital setting. Emphasis will be placed on recognizing high-risk presentations, understanding congenital heart disease considerations, and applying EMS-focused resuscitation priorities.

10:55 - 11:55 AM

GERIATRIC TRAUMA

[TRAUMA] 1.0 - SUE ANDERSEN, PHD, EMTP, EMSIC, CHSP, CEDP, CHFM

Trauma in the geriatric patient can present in different and challenging ways. This course will review the physiological changes in the geriatric patient and how this changes trauma presentation and treatment.

12:55 - 1:55 PM

CAPNOGRAPHY IN PREHOSPITAL CARE: WHAT EVERY EMS PROVIDER SHOULD KNOW

[ARV] 1.0 - LUCAS GOODIN, APP, NRP, CC-P, FP-C, FF

This class provides a practical overview of end-tidal CO₂ (ETCO₂) monitoring in the prehospital setting. Participants will learn how to use capnography to confirm airway placement, assess ventilation, monitor CPR quality and return of spontaneous circulation, and recognize common waveform patterns and clinical concerns such as hypoperfusion and bronchospasm. The course emphasizes interpreting ETCO₂ trends in context to support better patient care during transport and resuscitation.

2:05 - 3:05 PM

REVAMPING OUR APPROACH TO BEHAVIORAL EMERGENCIES

[MEDICAL] 1.0 - ERIC JAEGER, JD, NRP & JOSH PRUITT, MD, FAAEM, EMT

Behavioral emergencies involving agitated patients are among the most challenging calls we face. In the past few years, there have been multiple incidents involving tragic outcomes for patients and criminal and civil liability for EMS providers and law enforcement. We need to revamp our approach. De-escalation can often be successful, but EMS providers rarely receive formal education in de-escalation. Physical restraint and chemical sedation are occasionally necessary, but again EMS providers are rarely trained in how to avoid the major pitfalls. Adding to the challenge, our every action is being recorded on ubiquitous body cameras and smartphone cameras. Join us to talk about how to navigate these challenging waters and reframe our approach to enhance safety for our patients and reduce the risk of liability for our providers.

TRACK 2 BREAK-OUTS : PEDIATRIC

9:45 - 10:45 AM

SORTING THE CHAOS: APPLYING SALT TRIAGE TO PEDIATRIC MCIS

[TRAUMA 1.0/PEDIATRIC 1.0] - MICHAEL KADUCE, MPS, NRP

When the unimaginable happens, with sirens blaring, resources stretched, and chaos unfolding, how do you make lifesaving decisions when children are involved? "Sorting the Chaos" is your guide to mastering pediatric mass casualty triage when the clock is ticking. In this session, we unravel the complexities of SALT triage, particularly when young patients add an emotional dimension to the chaos. You'll compare triage systems, tackle real-world challenges of pediatric physiology, and through interactive scenarios, practice applying SALT to bring order to the most chaotic scenes. From lifesaving interventions to resource allocation and transport decisions, you'll leave with the confidence to act decisively. Whether you're a new responder or a veteran, this session ensures that when chaos strikes, your triage skills will rise to meet the moment. Knowing how to sort the chaos saves lives.

10:55 - 11:55 AM

LITTLE OWES: PEDIATRIC TRAUMA

[TRAUMA 1.0/PEDIATRIC 1.0] - TERRY RAGALLER, EMT-P, INSTRUCTOR

No one is ever 100% comfortable with pre-hospital pediatric trauma, including the patient! But knowing how to assess and manage a pediatric trauma will instill some confidence and help you to give the peds patient the best care possible.

12:55 - 1:55 PM

KIDS ARE LITTLE ADULTS

[ARV 1.0/PEDIATRIC 1.0] - "THE EMS AVENGER," JIMMY APPLE, NRP

"Kids are not little adults." "Kids just suddenly crash." These phrases are instilled in EMS providers early in the educational process, creating a fear-based aversion to appropriate pediatric care. We're going to explore how our approach to pediatric care in EMS actually stigmatizes kids - and how we can get back on track to providing the same quality of care we'd give to any adult.

2:05 - 3:05 PM

COMMON MYTHS OF PEDIATRIC DECOMPENSATION

[MEDICAL 1.0/PEDIATRIC 1.0] - LUCAS GOODIN, APP, NRP, CC-P, FP-C, FF

Pediatric signs of decompensation are often subtle and may appear well before a child is "crashing." One of the biggest misconceptions is that a child must be hypotensive to be in trouble; in reality, hypotension is a late sign. Early decompensation may present as tachycardia, poor perfusion, altered mental status, or increased work of breathing.

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TRACK 3 BREAK-OUTS : HARD-TO-FIND

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9:45 - 10:45 AM

CRITICAL CONVERSATIONS FOR CRITICAL CALLS

[OPERATIONS] 1.0 – MAGGIE BEALE, PA-C, NRP

EMS can teach you how to push every drug in the box or how to run a code in the smallest of spaces. Unfortunately, there's no protocol for telling someone their world has just changed forever. Through practical strategies, real-world experience, and a little EMS humor, this session examines how compassion, communication, and presence can leave a lasting impression when our clinical skills alone aren't enough.

10:55 - 11:55 AM

TREATING THE TRAUMA TRIAD

[TRAUMA] 1.0 – CAROLINE HOMAN, NRP, CCP

The Trauma Triad is a simple but essential concept in EMS. Whether you are at the basic or advanced level, these are the basics of treating any trauma patient.

12:55 - 1:55 PM

WHAT THE RESEARCH SAYS

[OPERATIONS] 1.0 – MICHAEL KADUCE, MPS, NRP

EMS is filled with strongly held opinions. Some are supported by evidence. Others persist simply because "that's how we've always done it." This session explores the science behind some of the most debated topics in prehospital care and examines how emerging evidence continues to challenge long-standing EMS practices. Drawing from

recently published research and landmark studies, participants will review current evidence related to trauma care, hemorrhage, fluid & whole blood administration, oxygen administration, airway management, resuscitation practices, and provider wellness. Along the way, we'll explore why some traditional approaches have endured despite limited evidence and how new research is shaping the future of prehospital medicine. Designed for EMTs, paramedics, educators, and EMS leaders, this presentation translates complex research into practical lessons that can be applied on the next shift. Whether you're curious about spinal immobilization, whole blood administration, mechanical CPR, rapid sequence induction, or provider fatigue, this session will help separate convention from evidence and answer a simple question: what does the research actually say?

2:05 - 3:05 PM

IF DISNEY RAN YOUR EMS AGENCY: LESSONS ON LIFE AND EMS FROM THE HOUSE OF THE MOUSE

[OPERATIONS] 1.0 – MATT ZAVADSKY, MS-HSA, NREMT

The magic of Disney is experienced differently as an adult compared to a child. There are key things that Disney does exceptionally well that create magical experiences for their guests, both young and old. Disney's culture and approach to the guest experience contain important lessons for EMS agencies, our leaders, and our providers. This insightful and humorous session will walk participants through the presenter's recent experience at Walt Disney World and illustrate how the 'Disney Factor' can and should be applied to EMS.

TRACK 4 BREAK-OUTS : ALS

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9:45 - 10:45 AM

OBSTETRICS: INTRAPARTUM EMERGENCIES

[MEDICAL] 1.0 – JOE MISTOVICH, MD, NRP

Managing common complications associated with labor and delivery may not be all that common – low frequency – for prehospital care providers; however, these conditions may be life threatening – high criticality – to both the pregnant patient and the fetus. This session will review the pathophysiology of the most common intrapartum complications, signs and symptoms, assessment strategies, and current emergency management.

10:55 - 11:55 AM

BLOOD ON THE TRUCK: THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE GAME-CHANGING

[TRAUMA] 1.0 – MATT ZAVADSKY, MS-HSA, NREMT

Prehospital blood administration is rapidly transforming trauma care – but it's not as simple as putting a cooler on an ambulance and calling it progress. This session explores the clinical science, operational realities, and financial realities of bringing blood products into the field. Participants will examine the evidence behind early blood transfusion, compare it to traditional crystalloid resuscitation, and walk through real-world case studies where prehospital blood made a difference, and where it didn't. We'll also address the logistical, financial, and regulatory challenges that can make or break a program. Whether your agency is considering implementation or refining an existing program, this session delivers a practical, evidence-informed roadmap for using blood products to improve patient outcomes without creating new risks.

12:55 - 1:55 PM

HEAD AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

[TRAUMA] 1.0 – JOE MISTOVICH, MD, NRP

This session will provide an understanding of the pathophysiology of head injuries to include scalp, skull, meningeal, traumatic brain injury, and brain herniation; clinical assessment findings that lead to a differential diagnosis of the probability of a TBI; and the most current prehospital management based on the latest Brain Trauma Foundation Prehospital TBI Guidelines.

2:05 - 3:05 PM

TIME-CRITICAL STEROID EMERGENCIES: AN UNDERRECOGNIZED EMS TREATMENT GAP

[MEDICAL] 1.0 – JOSHUA STILLEY, MD, FACEP, FAEMS

Adrenal crisis and relative adrenal insufficiency represent time-critical causes of shock in patients with known adrenal disease, chronic steroid exposure (e.g., COPD, cancer, autoimmune disease), recent steroid taper, or physiologic stress. Delays in stress-dose glucocorticoid therapy can lead to refractory hypotension and ICU-level deterioration. Steroids are among the most commonly administered medications in EMS. Methylprednisolone and dexamethasone are routinely administered for COPD, asthma, allergic reactions, and airway disease, often without hesitation. Yet when hypotension may be driven by adrenal insufficiency or chronic steroid suppression, prehospital steroid administration is far less consistent. Using contemporary endocrine guidelines and a NEMSIS-based treatment gap analysis demonstrating low documented steroid use in adrenal crisis impressions, this session will provide NAEMSP medical directors and system leaders with practical, implementable strategies to improve recognition, protocol design, and formulary optimization in the prehospital setting.

8 – 11:30 PM

FRIDAY NIGHT DANCE PARTY | 2026 THEME "NEON"

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KEYNOTE SESSIONS

7:45 - 8:45 AM

KEVIN COSTNER AND THE CIRCLE OF DEATH: TECHNOLOGY IN CARDIAC ARREST

"THE EMS AVENGER," JIMMY APPLE, NRP

[CARDIAC] 1.0

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3:35 - 4:35 PM

"GUILTY" CRIMINAL CHARGES AGAINST EMS PROVIDERS: WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

ERIC JAEGER, JD, NRP

[OPERATIONS] 1.0

Paramedics in Colorado were found guilty of criminally negligent homicide for violating their protocols involving chemical sedation. In Illinois, EMS providers face first degree murder charges. In Iowa, a paramedic was charged with involuntary manslaughter following a medication error. Criminal charges against EMS providers, once a rarity, have increased over the last few years, sending a shudder through the EMS community. We'll examine what this means for EMS and how to reduce risk for your agency and yourself. We'll explore how this trend has been driven by the pervasive presence of bodycam and cell phone video combined with a push for greater accountability. We'll delve into the difference between civil lawsuits and criminal charges. We'll also explore how medical negligence can lead to criminal liability even in the absence of an intent to do harm.



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TRACK 1 BREAK-OUTS: BLS

8:55 - 9:55 AM

THE SHIFTING LEGAL LANDSCAPE OF BEHAVIORAL EMERGENCIES

[MEDICAL] 1.0 - ERIC JAEGER, JD, NRP

Behavioral emergencies involving agitated or uncooperative patients are increasing in frequency and are among the most challenging emergencies we face. They carry significant potential legal risks for EMS providers and police. This talk examines the legal challenges that may arise, including for example when an uncooperative patient refuses to allow EMS to assess capacity or a potentially suicidal patient refuses care. We'll examine these issues using real cases and actual video footage from relevant patient interactions and courtroom testimony. Are you protected if you physically restrain or sedate a patient for transport? What are the risks if you decide not to transport a potentially suicidal patient? Increasingly, police are reluctant to actively engage with agitated behavioral patients; how does that impact your management of the patient and the potential legal risks? And how should your protocols be updated to address this shifting legal landscape?

11:05 AM - 12:05 PM

WHY CRISIS K9S ARE AN EFFECTIVE RESOURCE

[OPERATIONS] 1.0 - GREG HIGGINBOTHAM, CHIEF, FF, CCP, THERAPY DOG HANDLER
Course will show how an interaction with a calm dog in a stressful situation can help in the recovery process and assist bodies ability to handle mental trauma.

1:15 - 2:15 PM

PULLING G'S: WHERE PHYSICS, ANATOMY, AND PHYSIOLOGY MEET

[TRAUMA] 1.0 - CAROLINE HOMAN, NRP, CCP

Let's take a deeper look into what the body goes through during high speed collisions. What are some clues to pay attention to during your scene size up? How much should mechanism of injury direct our route of care? What even are G forces?

2:25 - 3:25 PM

CARDIOLOGY FOR BLS CLINICIANS

[CARDIAC] 1.0 - JOSHUA STILLEY, MD, FACEP, FAEMS

Cardiac emergencies are among the most time-sensitive conditions encountered by EMS, yet many do not present with the classic symptoms taught in textbooks. Using a case-based format, this session will help BLS providers recognize the wide variety of ways cardiac disease can present, and discover the critical role BLS providers play in improving outcomes through assessment, early recognition, supportive care, and timely transport. The session will also provide insight into what happens after the patient leaves the ambulance, including key ALS interventions and emergency department treatments. Attendees will leave with a stronger understanding of cardiac patients and greater confidence caring for them in the field.

TRACK 2 BREAK-OUTS: PEDIATRIC

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8:55 - 9:55 AM

IOWA PEDIATRIC READINESS: DATA-DRIVEN STRATEGIES TO UP YOUR GAME WITH KIDS

[OPERATIONS 1.0/PEDIATRIC 1.0] - VICKI PETERSEN, NRP, CCP

- Understand what Iowa's pediatric readiness data shows and why it matters for EMS
- Identify practical, data-based ways to improve how we care for kids in the field
- Learn straightforward steps EMS agencies can take to be more prepared for pediatric calls
- Use a few easy measures to check progress and see improvements over time

11:05 AM - 12:05 PM

PEDIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS

[MEDICAL 1.0/PEDIATRIC 1.0] - SUE ANDERSEN, PHD, EMT-P, EMSIC, CHSP, CEDP, CHFM

Pediatric Mental Health care has come to a crisis point. While hospital behavioral health pediatric units fill up, it is important that EMS professionals understand their role in caring for these patients. This session will cover the EMS role in the declared National Emergency in child and adolescent mental health care.

1:15 - 2:15 PM

PEDIATRIC SPECIAL TRACKING AND AWARENESS PROGRAM

[OPERATIONS 1.0/PEDIATRIC 1.0]

- SUE ANDERSEN, PHD, EMT-P, EMSIC, CHSP, CEDP, CHFM

Pediatric special needs patients pose a challenge for EMS providers as they can have complex needs during an emergency. A Special Tracking and Awareness Program (STARS) can help to prepare EMS providers ahead of the call. This course will show what a STARS program is, the benefits of using one, and how successful they can be.

2:25 - 3:25 PM

EASY PEASEY OB

[MEDICAL] 1.0 - TERRY RAGALLER, EMT-P, INSTRUCTOR

OB emergencies can be terrifying, but they do not have to be. This presentation will discuss key points in OB field emergencies, including how to assess and manage these high-stress patients. Easy Peasey!



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8:55 - 9:55 AM

PREHOSPITAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION PROGRAM

[TRAUMA] 1.0 – BRIAN RAYHONS, MPA, NRP, FP-C & CPT. DAN DAVIS, BS, CCP

This course provides an overview of the development and implementation of a prehospital blood transfusion pilot program within Iowa's EMS system. Participants will explore the evolution of EMS blood administration in the 911 setting, examine the clinical significance of early hemorrhage control, and articulate the primary goals and system-level benefits of carrying blood in the field. The course reviews evidence-based patient selection criteria, operational considerations, and regulatory factors specific to community implementation. Through analysis of real-world cases, attendees will identify best practices, common challenges, and practical strategies to successfully launch and sustain a prehospital blood program in their region.

11:05 AM - 12:05 PM

AVIATION CONCEPTS FOR EMS: BEYOND CRM

[OPERATIONS] 1.0 – JOSHUA STILLEY, MD, FACEP, FAEMS

Aviation has spent decades engineering reliability into dynamic, high-risk environment. EMS operates in an incredibly variable and demanding situations. The application of aviation mental frameworks and standards into EMS operations can improve clinician performance and patient safety. This session synthesizes aviation-derived safety concepts and translates them directly to EMS operations, critical care transport, and medical direction. We will review mental frameworks that will lead to improved performance under stress, recognition of potential errors before they occur, and cognitive triggers for increased safety. For EMS clinicians and leaders, this lecture provides a practical framework for integrating high-reliability principles into patient care decision making, mental frameworks, and procedural excellence.

1:15 - 2:15 PM

CORE AIRWAY SKILLS: WE'RE DOING IT ALL WRONG

[ARV] 1.0 – ERIC JAEGER, JD, NRP

Our BLS airway skills are fundamental to effective resuscitation, and there is evidence that we have been doing them all wrong! Please come join us to critically examine these core airway skills and learn the microskills necessary to perform them successfully. We'll discuss a series of approaches to airway management that, taken together, offer a modified approach to severe respiratory distress that may be significantly more effective than our current approach. These include understanding the critical importance of positioning in airway management, high flow nasal cannula, increased use of PEEP, expanding indications for CPAP, and other innovations. We'll explore the importance of proper technique in face mask ventilation in keeping providers out of the "airway death spiral." We'll discuss how to better manage a soiled airway. And we'll put these various techniques together to better equip providers to manage challenging airways.

2:25 - 3:25 PM

NEVER EVENTS IN EMS

[MEDICAL] 1.0 – SUE ANDERSEN, PHD, EMTP, EMSIC, CHSP, CEDP, CHFM

Most professionals considered a never event in EMS as one that is considered a harm event that has nuances on patient outcome, preventability and reimbursement consequences. In this course we will dig deeper into the definition of a Never Event, review case study examples, and ways that the EMS provider can prevent them.

TRACK 4 BREAK-OUTS : ALS

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8:55 - 9:55 AM

CAPNOGRAPHY IN THE FIELD: DETECTING SHOCK, FAILURE, AND RECOVERY EARLY

[ARV] 1.0 – JOSH PRUITT, MD, FAAEM, EMT

Capnography is often used only to confirm endotracheal tube placement, yet it provides real-time information about ventilation, perfusion, and metabolism. Through case-based discussion, this session demonstrates how ETCO₂ can identify shock, detect deterioration, guide resuscitation, and prevent peri-intubation complications. Participants will learn practical interpretation strategies applicable to cardiac arrest, overdose, respiratory failure, and procedural sedation rather than waveform memorization.

11:05 AM - 12:05 PM

MYTHBUSTING: ADENOSINE AND WPW

[CARDIAC] 1.0 – "THE EMS AVENGER," JIMMY APPLE, NRP

In this cardio electrophysiology deep dive, we're going to build a heart from scratch – all its plumbing and electrical systems – and visualize how a normal heart functions and powers itself. We'll then see what happens when nature upgrades a heart with electrical add-ons (WPW) and how adenosine factors into what happens when things go wrong. We'll also get into some other dogma surrounding WPW and adenosine and see if we can sort it out.

1:15 - 2:15 PM

12-LEAD EKG

[CARDIAC] 1.0 – JAMIE TEMPLE, BA, NRP, CCP

EMS is the "tip of the spear" when it comes to acute coronary syndrome (ACS) survival. To effectively advocate for patients with impaired blood flow, we must expand our 12-lead ECG interpretation skills beyond the basics. By now, recognizing ST elevation (STEMI) and ST depression should be second nature. Yet we know many patients present with ACS without these classic findings – these are the patients who need our sharpest clinical insight. This session will uncover subtle, often-overlooked ECG patterns that have always been present – we just haven't been trained to see them. Think of the 12-lead as a "Where's Waldo?" puzzle: if you're only looking for Waldo, you'll miss critical "Easter eggs" hidden in plain sight. The truth is, the eye doesn't see what the mind doesn't know. Join us to sharpen your perception, expand your diagnostic toolkit, and deliver the high-level care your patients deserve.

2:25 - 3:25 PM

BRIDGING THE CRASHING PATIENT: PREHOSPITAL STABILIZATION BEFORE DEFINITIVE CARE

[MEDICAL] 1.0 – JOSH PRUITT, MD, FAAEM, EMT

Some critically ill patients cannot be definitively treated in the field but can be stabilized long enough to survive transport. This session focuses on practical prehospital resuscitation strategies including hemorrhage control, physiologic optimization before intubation, push-dose pressors, blood product use, and treatment of obstructive shock. The emphasis is decision-making – recognizing when interventions change outcome versus when rapid transport is the priority.

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PRE-CONFERENCE PLANNER

7:15 AM REGISTRATION OPENS

EXHIBIT HALL HOURS: 11:45 AM – 6:30 PM

FULL-DAY WORKSHOPS

TIME	WORKSHOP	PRESENTER	CORE TOPIC
8:00 AM – 4:50 PM	CRITICAL CARE WORKSHOP	Lead Instructor: Thomas Striegel, MD, and various University of Iowa Emergency Medicine Doctors CCP lunch 12:30 – 1:30 PM	3.0 MEDICAL 2.0 ARV 1.0 CARDIAC 1.0 TRAUMA
8:00 – 9:00 AM	Critical Care Pharmacology	EMS 1.0 · MEDICAL	
9:10 – 10:10 AM	Ventilator Management (NIV)	EMS 1.0 · ARV	
10:20 – 11:20 AM	Procedural Sedation / Critical Airways	EMS 1.0 · ARV	
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	The Sound of Silence — What to Do When the Turbine Stops Spinning (EMS Cardiovascular Support, Balloon Pump, Impella)	EMS 1.0 · CARDIAC	
1:30 – 2:30 PM	Medical Critical Care Cases (Ultrasound)	EMS 1.0 · MEDICAL	
2:40 – 3:40 PM	Trauma Critical Care Cases Involving Prehospital Blood Products Use	EMS 1.0 · TRAUMA	
3:50 – 4:50 PM	Clinical Decision Making in Sepsis, Incorporating Lab Value Interpretation	EMS 1.0 · MEDICAL	
8:00 AM – 3:35 PM	EMS EDUCATOR / INSTRUCTOR WORKSHOP	Joe Mistovich, MEd, NRP	MEDICAL EMS 3.0
	- NREMT Technology Enhanced Item (TEI) Types and Construction - Using Pathophysiology as a Basis for Teaching in the EMS Classroom - A Transition in EMS Education: A Student-Centered Approach to Teaching and Learning		
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½-DAY MORNING WORKSHOPS

TIME	WORKSHOP	PRESENTER	CORE TOPIC
8:00 – 11:50 AM	PREHOSPITAL ADVANCED AIRWAY SESSION WORKSHOP	Brian Jennett, MD, with Dustyn Dickhaut and Joel Otte, EM Residents	ARV EMS 4.0
8:00 – 11:50 AM	SD/MD INTRO WORKSHOP	Peter K. Georgakakos, DO, FAEMS, State Medical Director, Iowa BEMTS and STAFF	OPERATIONS EMS 4.0
8:00 – 11:50 AM	MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTH WORKSHOP: EVERYTHING I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT MIH I LEARNED IN KINDERGARTEN	Thomas Striegel, MD	NO CES

11:50 AM – 12:50 PM WORKSHOP LUNCH

Workshop and CCP lunches are staggered. Vendor hall lunch is available in the Exhibit Hall, EMC Expo Center Hall C. BASKET LUNCHES AVAILABLE for Purchase or with a pre-paid ticket.

½-DAY AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

TIME	WORKSHOP	PRESENTER	CORE TOPIC
12:50 – 4:45 PM	PRE-HOSPITAL RESUSCITATION WORKSHOP: IMPROVING OUTCOMES ONE AFTERNOON AT A TIME WORKSHOP	Lead Presenter: Jamie Temple, BA, NRP, CCP	CARDIAC EMS 4.0
12:50 – 4:45 PM	SD/MD REFRESHER WORKSHOP	Peter K. Georgakakos, DO, FAEMS, State Medical Director, Iowa BEMTS and STAFF	OPERATIONS EMS 4.0
12:20 – 4:30 PM	CLINICAL AIRWAY & TRAUMA SKILLS LAB	Lucas Goodin, APP, NRP, CC-P, FP-C, FF Mark McCulloch, NREMT-P, CCP	ARV EMS 2.0 + TRAUMA EMS 2.0
	- Airway Anatomy & Management Lab (12:20 – 2:20 PM) - Penetrating Trauma: Stop the Bleed, Concept of Immediate Aid (2:30 – 4:30 PM)		

1:50 – 2:20 PM

NEW! DEDICATED EXHIBIT HALL BREAK (30 MIN)

All pre-conference tracks break together in the exhibit hall.

4:30 – 6:30 PM

VENDOR HALL / WELCOMING RECEPTION

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6:45 AM REGISTRATION OPENS

EXHIBIT HALL HOURS: 9:00 AM – 3:50 PM

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7:45 – 9:00 AM

KEYNOTE SESSION — BALLROOM

HOW TO SAVE EMS

"The EMS Avenger," Jimmy Apple, NRP | [OPERATIONS] EMS 1.5

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9:00 – 9:45 AM

DEDICATED EXHIBIT HALL BREAK

Give-away drawings continue. Drop your entry card in the box at IEMSA Booth #24. You must be present to win.

	BLS TRACK	PEDIATRIC TRACK	HARD-TO-FIND TRACK	ALS TRACK
9:45 – 10:45 AM BREAKOUT 1	PEDIATRIC CARDIAC ABNORMALITIES AND CARDIAC ARREST: RECOGNITION, RESPONSE, AND RESUSCITATION Lucas Goodin, APP, NRP, CC-P, FP-C, FF [PEDIATRIC] 1.0	SORTING THE CHAOS: APPLYING SALT TRIAGE TO PEDIATRIC MCIS Michael Kaduce, MPS, NRP [TRAUMA-1.0/PEDIATRIC-1.0]	CRITICAL CONVERSATIONS FOR CRITICAL CALLS Maggie Beale, PA-C, NRP [OPERATIONS] 1.0	OBSTETRICS: INTRAPARTUM EMERGENCIES Joe Mistovich, MEd, NRP [MEDICAL] 1.0
10:55 – 11:55 AM BREAKOUT 2	GERIATRIC TRAUMA Sue Andersen, PhD, EMT-P, EMSIC, CHSP, CEDP, CHFM [TRAUMA] 1.0	LITTLE OWEEES: PEDIATRIC TRAUMA Terry Ragaller, EMT-P, Instructor [TRAUMA-1.0/PEDIATRIC-1.0]	TREATING THE TRAUMA TRIAD Caroline Homan, NRP, CCP [TRAUMA] 1.0	BLOOD ON THE TRUCK: THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE GAME-CHANGING Matt Zavadsky, MS-HSA, NREMT [TRAUMA] 1.0

11:55 AM – 12:55 PM

LUNCH + EXHIBIT HALL - GRAND CONCOURSE

Vendor hall lunch — use your pre-paid vendor hall ticket or purchase lunch by credit card; six basket lunch options with a drink in the Exhibit Hall, EMC Expo Center Hall C. **Sit-down lunch ticket** — must be purchased with your registration; your purchase is indicated on the front of your badge, and this is your ticket. Lunch is served in the educational area of the event center off the Grand Concourse.

	BLS TRACK	PEDIATRIC TRACK	HARD-TO-FIND TRACK	ALS TRACK
12:55 – 1:55 PM BREAKOUT 3	CAPNOGRAPHY IN PREHOSPITAL CARE: WHAT EVERY EMS PROVIDER SHOULD KNOW Lucas Goodin, APP, NRP, CC-P, FP-C, FF [ARV] 1.0	KIDS ARE LITTLE ADULTS "The EMS Avenger," Jimmy Apple, NRP [ARV-1.0/PEDIATRIC-1.0]	WHAT THE RESEARCH SAYS Michael Kaduce, MPS, NRP [OPERATIONS] 1.0	HEAD AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY Joe Mistovich, MEd, NRP [TRAUMA] 1.0
2:05 – 3:05 PM BREAKOUT 4	REVAMPING OUR APPROACH TO BEHAVIORAL EMERGENCIES Eric Jaeger, JD, NRP & Josh Pruitt, MD, FAAEM, EMT [MEDICAL] 1.0	COMMON MYTHS OF PEDIATRIC DECOMPENSATION Lucas Goodin, APP, NRP, CC-P, FP-C, FF [MEDICAL-1.0/PEDIATRIC-1.0]	IF DISNEY RAN YOUR EMS AGENCY: LESSONS ON LIFE AND EMS FROM THE HOUSE OF THE MOUSE Matt Zavadsky, MS-HSA, NREMT [OPERATIONS] 1.0	TIME-CRITICAL STEROID EMERGENCIES: AN UNDERRECOGNIZED EMS TREATMENT GAP Joshua Stille, MD, FACEP, FAEMS [MEDICAL] 1.0

3:05 – 3:50 PM

DEDICATED EXHIBIT HALL BREAK

Last give-away drawings of the day. Drop your entry card at IEMSA Booth #24. You must be present to win.

3:50 – 5:05 PM

KEYNOTE SESSION — BALLROOM

BACK TO THE FUTURE: IS "REGRESSION" THE KEY TO OUR FUTURE?

Matt Zavadsky, MS-HSA, NREMT | [OPERATIONS] EMS 1.5

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7:45 – 8:45 AM

KEYNOTE SESSION — BALLROOM

KEVIN COSTNER AND THE CIRCLE OF DEATH: TECHNOLOGY IN CARDIAC ARREST

"The EMS Avenger," Jimmy Apple, NRP | [CARDIAC] 1.0

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8:55 – 9:55 AM
BREAKOUT 1

BLS TRACK

THE SHIFTING LEGAL LANDSCAPE OF BEHAVIORAL EMERGENCIES

Eric Jaeger, JD, NRP
[MEDICAL] 1.0

PEDIATRIC TRACK

IOWA PEDIATRIC READINESS: DATA-DRIVEN STRATEGIES TO UP YOUR GAME WITH KIDS

Vicki Petersen, NRP, CCP
[OPERATIONS-1.0/PEDIATRIC-1.0]

HARD-TO-FIND TRACK

PREHOSPITAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION PROGRAM

Brian Rayhons, MPA, NRP, FP-C and Cpt. Dan Davis, BS, CCP
[TRAUMA] 1.0

ALS TRACK

CAPNOGRAPHY IN THE FIELD: DETECTING SHOCK, FAILURE, AND RECOVERY EARLY

Josh Pruitt, MD, FAAEM, EMT
[ARV] 1.0

10:05 – 10:55 AM

HONORING OUR OWN CEREMONY

Ballroom, Level 3. The ceremony starts promptly at 10:05 AM and doors close once it begins. The exhibit hall is open during this time and give-away drawings continue.

11:05 AM –
12:05 PM
BREAKOUT 2

BLS TRACK

WHY CRISIS K9S ARE AN EFFECTIVE RESOURCE

Greg Higginbotham, Chief, FF, CCP, Therapy Dog Handler
[OPERATIONS] 1.0

PEDIATRIC TRACK

PEDIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS

Sue Andersen, PhD, EMTP, EMSIC, CHSP, CEDP, CHFM
[MEDICAL-1.0/PEDIATRIC-1.0]

HARD-TO-FIND TRACK

AVIATION CONCEPTS FOR EMS: BEYOND CRM

Joshua Stilley, MD, FACEP, FAEMS
[OPERATIONS] 1.0

ALS TRACK

MYTHBUSTING: ADENOSINE AND WPW

"The EMS Avenger," Jimmy Apple, NRP
[CARDIAC] 1.0

12:05 – 1:15 PM

AWARDS CEREMONY LUNCH + EXHIBIT HALL - GRAND CONCOURSE

Lunch is served in the educational area of the event center. Honoree guests are seated at 11:30 AM; conference attendees join and are served at 12:05 PM. Honorees and their guests are seated together — attendees line up on the far ends of the lunch hall, and the center line is reserved for honorees and their guests. The ceremony will be livestreamed. Your pre-paid sit-down lunch is indicated on the front of your badge — this is your ticket. Theatre seating for the ceremony is available at no charge. Vendor hall lunch is also available in EMC Expo Center Hall C.

1:15 – 2:15 PM
BREAKOUT 3

BLS TRACK

PULLING G'S: WHERE PHYSICS, ANATOMY, AND PHYSIOLOGY MEET

Caroline Homan, NRP, CCP
[TRAUMA] 1.0

PEDIATRIC TRACK

PEDIATRIC SPECIAL TRACKING AND AWARENESS PROGRAM

Sue Andersen, PhD, EMTP, EMSIC, CHSP, CEDP, CHFM
[OPERATIONS-1.0/PEDIATRIC-1.0]

HARD-TO-FIND TRACK

CORE AIRWAY SKILLS: WE'RE DOING IT ALL WRONG

Eric Jaeger, JD, NRP
[ARV] 1.0

ALS TRACK

12-LEAD EKG

Jamie Temple, BA, NRP, CCP
[CARDIAC] 1.0

2:25 – 3:25 PM
BREAKOUT 4

CARDIOLOGY FOR BLS CLINICIANS

Joshua Stilley, MD, FACEP, FAEMS
[CARDIAC] 1.0

EASY PEASEY OB

Terry Ragaller, EMT-P, Instructor
[MEDICAL] 1.0

NEVER EVENTS IN EMS

Sue Andersen, PhD, EMTP, EMSIC, CHSP, CEDP, CHFM
[MEDICAL] 1.0

BRIDGING THE CRASHING PATIENT: PREHOSPITAL STABILIZATION BEFORE DEFINITIVE CARE

Josh Pruitt, MD, FAAEM, EMT
[MEDICAL] 1.0

3:35 – 4:35 PM

KEYNOTE SESSION — BALLROOM

"GUILTY" — CRIMINAL CHARGES AGAINST EMS PROVIDERS: WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Eric Jaeger, JD, NRP | [OPERATIONS] 1.0

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