

The Emergency Medical Services Scope of Practice Project



Improving Emergency Department
Patient Flow through
Prehospital System Design



A Brief History of Modern EM and EMS

Mid-20th Century – Impact of Trauma 09/16/60 - CPR Described 1966 – NAS Report 1966 - DOT Curricula 1973 – EMS Systems Act 1980 - First ABEM Certifications 1984 – NAEMSP formed 09/22/89 - ABEM primary board status 1996 - EMS Agenda for the Future Early 2000's - NEMSIS 09/22/10 - EMS subspecialty

The Haddon Matrix

| | Human | Vehicle/Equipment | Physical Environment | Social/Economic |
|----------------|---|--|--|--|
| Pre- Crash | Poor vision or reaction time, alcohol, speeding, risk taking | Failed brakes, missing lights, lack of warning systems | Narrow shoulders, ill-timed signals | Cultural norms permitting speeding, red light running, DUI |
| Crash | Failure to wear seat belt | Malfunctioning seat belts, poorly engineered air bags | Poorly designed guardrails | Lack of vehicle design regulation |
| Post- Crash | High susceptibility, alcohol | Poorly designed fuel tanks | Poor emergency communication systems | Lack of support for EMS and trauma systems |





Your Invitation to the

OCEAN CITY MEETING

(Semiannual Meeting)

of the

MEDICAL AND CHIRURGICAL FACULTY

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1960-OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND

A program of interest and educational value has been planned by the Committee on Scientific Work and Arrangements, William E. Grose, M.D., Chairman.

HEADQUARTERS — COMMANDER HOTEL

SCIENTIFIC SESSION-12:30 P.M., Friday, September 16.

RECENT ADVANCES IN EMERGENCY RESUSCITATION

A symposium to be conducted by **Donald W. Benson**, M.D., Professor of Anesthesiology, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

- EXTERNAL CARDIAC MASSAGE AND DEFIBRILLATION.
 - William B. Kouwenhoven, M.D., Ph.D. Eng., Professor Emeritus of Electrical Engineering, and Lecturer in Surgery, The Johns Hopkins University.
 - James R. Jude, M.D., Resident Surgeon, The Johns Hopkins Hospital.
- 2. MODERN METHODS OF ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION.
 - Paul R. Hackett, M.D., Associate Professor of Anesthesiology, University of Maryland School of Medicine.
 - Peter Safar, M.D., Chief of Anesthesiology, Baltimore City Hospitals, and Associate Professor of Anesthesiology, University of Maryland School of Medicine.



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NATIONAL EMS SCOPE OF PRACTICE MODEL THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

The National EMS Scope of Practice Model is a continuation of the commitment of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Health Resources and Services Administration to the implementation of the EMS Agenda for the Future

The National EMS Scope of Practice Model defines and describes four levels of EMS licensure:

- Emergency Medical Responder (EMR)
- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)
 - Advanced EMT (AEMT)
 - Paramedic

Essentially,
with a thousand hours of training,
we produce a prehospital
CRITICAL CARE TECHNICIAN

who is expected to be able to evaluate and manage every medical emergency known to humans

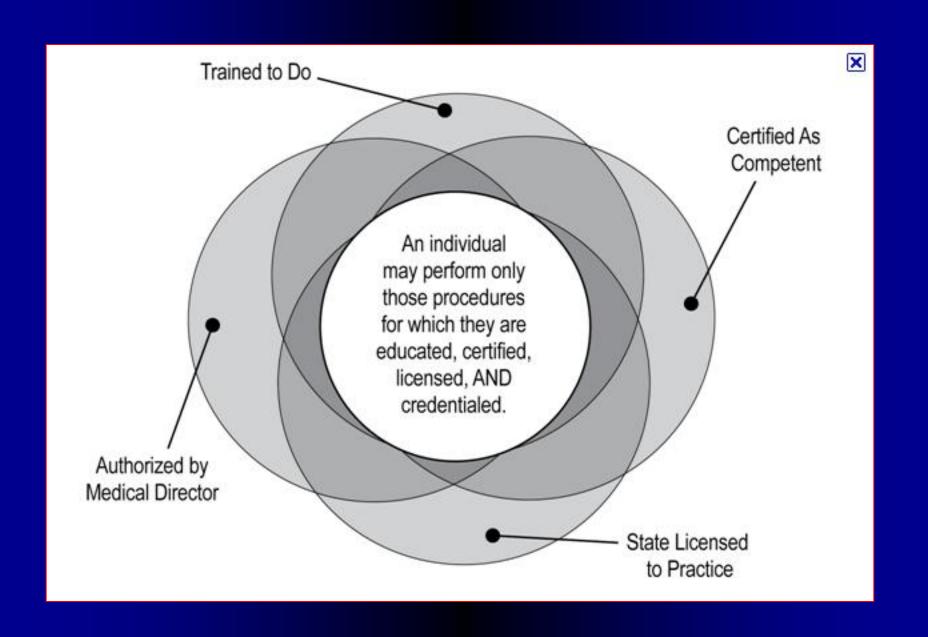
"Emergency Medical Services (EMS) of the future will be community- based health management that is fully integrated with the overall health care system.

It will have the ability to identify and modify illness and injury risks, provide acute illness and injury care and follow-up, and contribute to treatment of chronic conditions and community health monitoring."

"This new entity will be developed from redistribution of existing health care resources and it will be integrated with other health care providers and public health and safety agencies.

It will improve community health and result in a more appropriate use of acute health care resources.

EMS will remain the public's emergency medical safety net."



Opportunities for Improving ED Patient Management through Innovative EMS Best Practices:

- Treatment of Emergency Conditions
 - Alternative Patient Destinations
 - The Impact of NEMSIS 3.0

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Treatment of Emergency Conditions:

- Continuous Positive Airway Pressure
- ➤DFR recurring cost for 1,200 annual uses is approximately \$60,000
- ➤If this prevents 200 people from being intubated: >\$20 million in savings?
- ➤ Not to mention reducing morbidity and mortality.....and returning taxpayers home

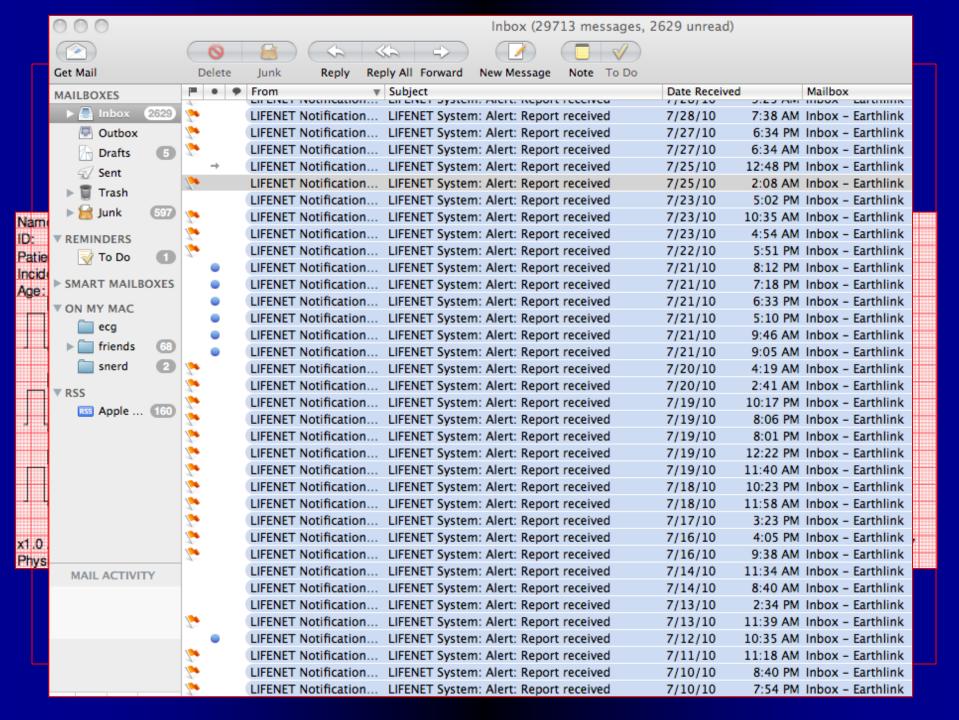
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Treatment of Emergency Conditions:

- Cardiac Arrest Management Systems
- "I think we should give \$50 to everyone who performs Citizen CPR or uses an automated external defibrillator."

A.J. Heightman, Editor Journal of Emergency Medical Services Gathering of Eagles, 2010



Alternative Destinations:

- "Get the right patient to the right place"
- Severely over-burdened EM resources
 - Vast study resource regarding patient outcomes vs. field assessment
 - "No Apparent Life-Threatening Event" Policy (NALTE)
 - >Clinics, Physician Offices
 - ► Alternate Transport Methods?

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CARDIAC ARREST

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Definition

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Indication of the presence of a cardiac arrest at any time associated with the EMS evert.

XSD Data Type xs:integer XSD Domain (Simple Type) CardiacArrest

Multiple Entry Configuration No Accepts Null Values Yes

Required in XSD Yes

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable -20 Not Recorded

-15 Not Reporting -10 Not Known

-5 Not Available 0 No

2240 Yes, Prior to EMS Arrival 2245 Yes, After EMS Arrival

Additional Information

. If answered YES, all other data points in the Situation/CPR should be addressed

Uses

- · A component of the EMS Medical Record: Patient Care Report
- . Allows data to be sorted based on the occurrence of a cardiac arrest
- . Allows data to describe the number of cardiac arrests within the EMS patient population

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Other Associated Elements

E00 Common Null Values E01_01 Patient Care Report Number

References to Other Databases

- NFIRS 5.0 EMS Module; Title: Cardiac Arrest; Pick-List: Pre-Arrival Arrest = 1, Post-Arrival Arrest = 2
- UTSTEIN Title: Confirmed Cardiac Arrests Considered for Resuscitation.

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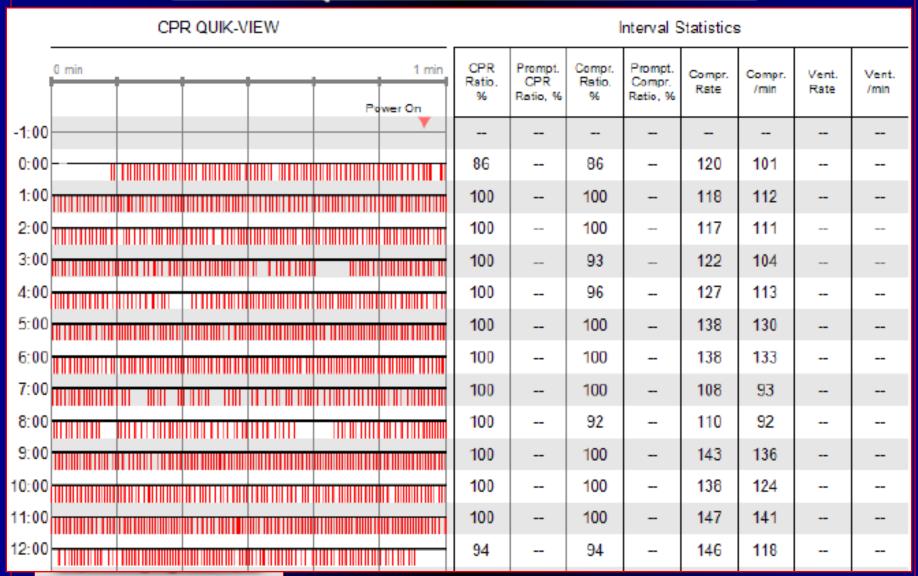
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The Impact of NEMSIS 3.0:



The Impact of NEMSIS 3.0:

- Comprehensive Data Management
- Remember the shortest book ever written: "Promises Kept by Software-Vendors"
 - >Much work remains to be done



Summary Ruminations



Summary Thoughts:

- Retooling Emergency Services
 - A comprehensive system management strategy
- > Targeted toward best practices
- Considering alternative destinations
- Complete data tracking through uniform datasets and electronic linking

