

RACI Matrix in Brief for FICEMS- December 2019

Evidence-Based Practice and Quality Committee

Goal 2: Data-driven and evidence-based EMS systems that promote improved patient care quality	
Objective 2.1: Support the development, implementation, and evaluation of evidence-based guidelines (EBGs) according to the National Prehospital EBG Model Process	
Task	Brief Status Update
1) Brief FICEMS on the status of EBG development and implementation. (E.g. EBG Model Guidelines and Implementation, National Strategy and Publications)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The AHRQ Evidence-based Practice Center (EPC) program, with support from NHTSA OEMS, contracted development of a systematic review Report “Comparative Effectiveness of Analgesics to Reduce Acute Pain in the Prehospital Setting”. The final report was published in September 2019 and will be used to develop an EBG for prehospital analgesia. The EBG will then be promoted for incorporation into State and local EMS protocols and practice guidelines. • NHTSA funded AHRQ to conduct a Topic Refinement on Prehospital Airway Management, an intermediary step that precedes a literature synthesis. NHTSA is executing a FY20 interagency agreement to fund a literature synthesis after completion of the topic refinement in December 2019. Development of an airway management EBG was one suggestion NHTSA heard from stakeholders in response to FICEMS’ prehospital trauma RFI. • NHTSA, with HRSA Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) funding support, has awarded a two-year cooperative agreement to the American College of Surgeons for revision of the prehospital field trauma triage guidelines.
2) Identify mechanisms to disseminate EBGs to stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As part of an Interagency Agreement between the Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) at the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), and the Indian Health Service (IHS), the IHS contracted with the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) to conduct site visits to federal and tribal sites in the Navajo and Phoenix areas in part to promote the National Pediatric Readiness Project a multi-phase quality improvement initiative to ensure that all U.S. emergency departments have the essential guidelines and resources in place to provide effective emergency care to children. The site visits occurred in Oct and Nov 2019. Recommendations from the AAP based on these visits are due Jan 2020
3) Update FICEMS regarding research including NIH research and emergency care networks including NIH-OECR, EMSC PECARN, and other initiatives.	

<p>4) Explore options for developing performance measures that support EBG implementation, e.g. through the ORHP for FLEX grants and CAHs</p>	<p>The Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (FORHP) at HRSA announced the awards for their competitive EMS-focused supplemental funding opportunity within the Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility Program. State Flex programs could apply to receive \$250,000 per year for three years for projects from 9/1/19-8/31/22 to support the implementation of demonstration projects of sustainable rural Emergency Medical Services (EMS) models and quality measures for rural EMS agencies.</p> <p>The goal of this supplemental funding is to improve access to quality emergency medical care in rural communities. These projects will develop an evidence base for Flex Program EMS activities, by funding projects in the following two focus areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Focus Area 1: To implement demonstration projects on sustainable models of rural EMS care. Projects will facilitate the development and implementation of promising solutions for the problems faced by vulnerable EMS agencies and contribute to an evidence base for appropriate interventions. · Focus Area 2: To implement demonstration projects on data collection and reporting for a set of rural-relevant EMS quality measures. Projects will facilitate the development of a core set of validated, rural-relevant EMS quality measures. <p>The four states receiving supplements for sustainable models projects: Arizona, Ohio, South Carolina, Washington</p> <p>The four states receiving supplements for quality measures projects: Florida, Kentucky, New Mexico, North Dakota</p>
<p>5) Support improvements in responses to active shooter situations/ other trauma r/t implementation of external hemorrhage control EBG.</p>	

<p>Goal 1: Coordinated, regionalized, and accountable EMS and 911 systems that provide safe, high-quality Care</p>	
<p>Objective 1.1: Identify and promote the development and use of EMS performance measures and Benchmark</p>	
<p>Task</p>	<p>Brief Status Update</p>
<p>Support the development and use of EMS performance measures and benchmarks.</p>	<p>See the FORHP Grant award detail above.</p>

<p>Goal 4: EMS systems that are sustainable, forward looking, and integrated with the evolving health care system</p>	
<p>Objective 4.4: Apply lessons learned from military and civilian incidents to the EMS community</p>	
<p>Task</p>	<p>Brief Status Update</p>
<p>Support the Dissemination and Implementation of the NASEM Report, “A National Trauma System Integrating Military and Civilian Trauma Systems to Achieve Zero Preventable Deaths After Injury”</p>	