

EMS Safety & Health Position Statement

Vision

A culture that instills safety and health as paramount to all components of Emergency Medical Services (EMS).

Department of Defense

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U.S. Fire Administration

Department of Health & Human Services

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Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic
Safety Administration

Federal Communications Commission

Public Safety and
Homeland Security Bureau

Mission

Create a culture which requires a conscious effort to promote and teach safety and health in every aspect of emergency medical services spanning the realm from recruitment and initial education and training through leadership.

The FICEMS promotes the safety, health and well-being of the emergency medical services community. Safety and health considerations and applications should be promoted and implemented at all levels of the EMS community. The FICEMS promotes that safety and health applications should be based on scientific research and known risk.

Supporting the 'Culture of Safety' for individual EMS responders and response agencies is the responsibility of stakeholders at all levels of EMS. At the Federal level, this is accomplished through collaboration of Federal partners involved in EMS roles and through the FICEMS to communicate the applicable safety topics, issues, recommendations and guidance to State EMS agencies and the external EMS Community.