National EMS Culture of Safety Sept 2010 – Sept 2013

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Project Update

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The goal is to develop a Strategy document that will address developing and promoting a "Culture of Safety" in EMS. It will include "where we are" and "where we want to be" for both patient and EMS personnel safety.

Draft 2.1 Comments

- Update and expand the Definition of EMS used.
- Equal emphasis placed on patient and provider safety.
- Concerns on the use of the NCSEMS model.
- Equal emphasis placed on the role of management and providers in an EMS safety culture.
- Concerns on the use of "Just Culture" as the only example.

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- Expand examples of the role of local EMS services, State EMS Offices, and national organizations.
- Include examples of available safety resources. Such as NAEMT safety course and vehicle safety research data from the TRB.



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Next Steps

- Release of Draft 3 May 11, 2012
- National Review Meeting, Washington,
 DC June 19, 2012
- Draft 4 for NEMSAC review –
 November 20, 2012
- Final Draft to NHTSA May 15, 2013





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