



## 2023 NAEMT Committee and Council Activities

*Advancing the EMS Profession*



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### 3 Broad Categories of Work

Association  
governance  
and  
administration



EMS  
Education



Programs and  
Initiatives to  
support and  
advocate for the  
EMS profession



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## Governance and Administration

- Affiliate Advisory Council
- Candidacy and Elections Committee
- Executive Committee
- Finance Committee
- Membership Committee



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## Affiliate Advisory Council

**Tim Dienst, Chair**  
**Karen Larsen, Vice-Chair**

- The National Conference of State Legislatures presented on the 2023 EMS legislative initiatives in states across the country.
- AAC members had a town hall meeting with state elected officials with EMS backgrounds.
- NAEMT conducted a listening session for all Council members to receive their feedback the issues that impact the sustainability and growth of their associations, and the topics that they would like to see addressed at Council meetings.
- Council leadership reviewed and updated NAEMT policies on affiliated organizations and the Council.

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 affiliated  
 organizations

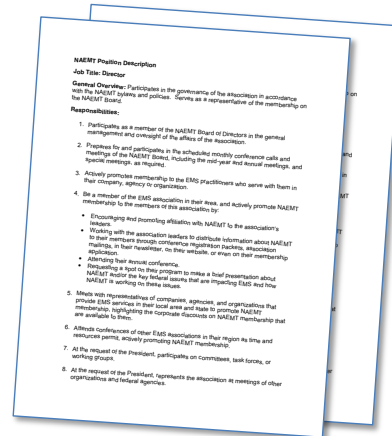


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## Candidacy and Elections Committee

### Committee Members

- Dennis Wilham, *Chair*
- Rod Barrett
- Kenneth Bouvier
- John Fitzsimmons
- Don Lundy



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## Candidacy and Elections Committee



### Dennis Wilham, Chair

- Vetted all recipients of 2023 National EMS Awards of Excellence and Advocates of the Year.
- Finalized the candidate questions for the 2023 election cycle.
- Reviewed candidacy materials for the 2023 election of NAEMT regional directors.
  - verified eligibility requirements and candidacy materials.
  - reviewed responses to questions and verified statements, as needed.
- Committee investigates and reports any compliance issues pertaining to candidacy and elections process, as needed.



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## Executive Committee



Susan Bailey  
*Chair*



Chris Way



Rob Luckritz



Troy Tuke



Bruce Evans



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## Executive Committee

### Susan Bailey, President

- The committee met this year to identify potential candidates for the 2023 election cycle.
- The committee provided guidance to the Executive Director on several operational matters.



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## Finance Committee

- Rob Luckritz, *Chair*
- Dave Edgar
- Melissa McNally
- Dennis Rowe
- Matt Zavadsky



## Finance Committee

### **Rob Luckritz, Chair and NAEMT Treasurer**

- Reviewed NAEMT's investment portfolio.
- Reviewed NAEMT's insurance coverage.
- Reviewed the quarterly year-end forecasts.
- Reviewed the results of the auditor's report of the 2022 NAEMT financial statements.
- Will review the 2024 proposed budget in Q4.





## Membership Committee



### Committee Members

- Melissa McNally, *Chair*
- Sandra Hultz, *Vice-Chair*
- Maria Beermann-Foat
- Tiara Green
- Keito Ortiz
- Les Powell
- Jason Scheiderer
- Howard Schwartz
- William Tatum
- Eric Van Dusen



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## Membership Committee



### Melissa McNally, Chair

#### Ongoing Committee Activities:

- Work with Membership Coordinators to promote membership growth within states.
- Review membership campaign results and recommend strategies.
- Conduct member raffles.
- Review member statistics to identify changes and trends.

#### Special projects:

- Committee working group developed new Dual Membership Program to replace the Combined Membership Program.
- Developed survey to members 25 and under to identify strategies to recruit and retain younger practitioners to NAEMT.

#### New Member Benefits:

- 25% off select GE appliances.



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## EMS Education

- Education Committee
- Regional European Education Committee
- Latin American Education Committee
- Mideast Education Committee
- Asian Education Committee
- Advanced Medical Life Support Committee
- Emergency Pediatric Care Committee
- Prehospital Trauma Committee

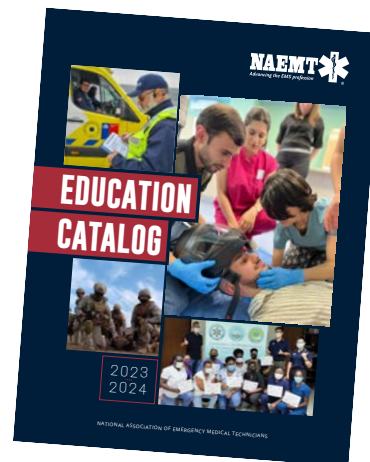


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## Education Committee

### Committee Members

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|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| • Rick Ellis, <i>Chair</i>     | • Karen Larsen      |
| • Troy Tuke, <i>Vice Chair</i> | • Dave Page         |
| • Justin Arnone                | • Joanne Piccininni |
| • Ken Dalessandro              | • Armin Reisinger   |
| • Sean Davenport               | • Cory Richter      |
| • Michael Kaduce               | • Jeri Wheatley     |



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## Education Committee



**Rick Ellis, Chair**

- Provides oversight to network of 2,475 training centers, over 18,000 instructors teaching over 150,000 students annually.
- Conducted a webinar for current and potential course coordinators to present best practices in effective course coordination.
  - A new Course Coordinator Guide was developed from the webinar content.
- Conducted a webinar for current and potential Affiliate Faculty to present best practices in preparing and monitoring new training centers and faculty.
  - A new Affiliate Faculty Orientation PPT is being developed from the webinar content.
- Developed program for the annual NAEMT Faculty Meeting in New Orleans.



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## Regional European Education Committee

- Armin Reisinger (Austria), *Chair*
- Will Broughton (UK) and Patrick Wick (France), *Vice-Chairs*

Albania	Georgia	Poland
Andorra	Germany	Portugal
Austria	Greece	Serbia
Belgium	Ireland	Sweden
Bulgaria	Italy	Switzerland
Cyprus	Latvia	Ukraine
Czech Republic	Lithuania	United Kingdom
Denmark	Netherlands	
Estonia	Norway	
France		



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## Regional European Education Committee



**Armin Reisinger (Austria), Chair**

- Working on expanding NAEMT education to Finland, Hungary, Kosovo, Slovenia, and Montenegro.
- Established NAEMT education in Bosnia-Herzegovina, and re-established NAEMT education in Luxembourg.
- European partners are working on the translations of the 4th edition of EPC and the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of PHTLS.
- Drafted a new quality assurance plan for European training centers that will be finalized in 2024
- Conducted a two-day conference in Hamburg, Germany hosted by NAEMT education partners in Germany.



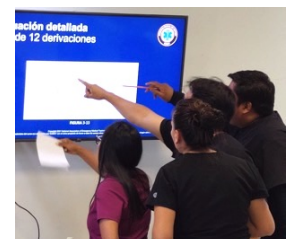
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## Latin American Education Committee



- Elkin Fuentes (Colombia), *Chair*
- Edwin Davila (Ecuador), *Vice-Chair*

Argentina	Ecuador
Bolivia	El Salvador
Brazil	Honduras
Chile	México
Colombia	Panama
Costa Rica	Peru



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## Latin American Education Committee



**Elkin Fuentes (Colombia), Chair**

- Contacted training centers in countries with little to no activity; focusing on Guatemala, Honduras, Paraguay, Uruguay and Nicaragua, to assist them with reactivation.
- Developed database of country requirements to be a health care professional equivalent to EMTs, paramedics, and other prehospital providers.
- Developed plan for Spanish-language webinars on key EMS topics. The first webinar is scheduled for this October.
- Established our first military training centers in Argentina and Peru.
- Conducted mass training programs with multiple NAEMT courses, called “Jornadas” in Peru, Bolivia and Argentina.



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## Mideast Education Committee

- Ahed Najjar, MPH, FAHA, *Chair*
- Rateb Ahmad Abuzeid, *Vice Chair*

Afghanistan	Oman
Bahrain	Saudi Arabia
Egypt	Syria
Israel	Tunisia
Jordan	Turkey
Lebanon	United Arab Emirates
Morocco	



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## Mideast Education Committee



**Ahed Najjar (U.A.E.), Chair**

- Working on the development of a training center quality assurance plan for the region.
- Working on expanding NAEMT education to Qatar, Iraq and Mauritania.
- Will conduct a two-day conference in Dubai, U.A.E. hosted by Dubai National Ambulance.



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## Asian Education Committee

This new committee was established in July. The first virtual meeting of the committee will be held next month.



- Brunei
- China
  - Hong Kong
- India
- Indonesia
- Japan
- Kazakhstan
- Malaysia
- Mongolia
- Philippines
- Singapore
- South Korea
- Taiwan
- Thailand



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## Advanced Medical Life Support



### Committee Members

- Cory Richter, *Chair*
- Dr. Vince Mosesso, Medical Director
- Dr. Doug Kupas, Medical Editor
- Dr. Jon Krohmer, Associate Medical Editor
- Dr. Jeff Jarvis, Associate Medical Director
- Dr. Zack Louderback, Associate Medical Director
- Dr. Bengt Eriksson
- Michael Kaduce
- Kelly Kohler
- Jeff Messerole
- Alex Protzman
- Anne Austin Ellerby



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## Advanced Medical Life Support



### Cory Richter, Chair

- Completed the 4th edition AMLS textbook.
- Developed new or updated lessons with all new case studies, and new patient simulations.
- A beta test of the 4<sup>th</sup> edition was conducted earlier this month at the Coweta County Fire Station training center in Georgia. Thanks very much to our beta testers for providing feedback on the new material.
- Course materials are now in production with our publisher, and we expect the English version to publish March, 2024.
- The 4<sup>th</sup> edition AMLS Instructor Update will be held this afternoon in New Orleans.

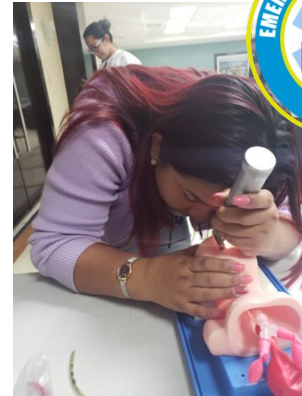


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## Emergency Pediatric Care Committee

### Committee Members

- Jon Willoughby, *Chair*
- Dr. Kate Remick, Medical Director
- Dr. Mark Cicero, Associate Medical Director
- Dr. Ann Dietrich, Associate Medical Director
- Dr. Emily Nichols, Associate Medical Director
- Sabine Sagner
- Jeremy Sidlauskas
- Dr. Sylvia Owusu-Ansah, AAP Liaison



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## Emergency Pediatric Care Committee



### Jon Willoughby, Chair

- The 4<sup>th</sup> edition EPC test questions are in the process of being validated. Once this process is completed, the validated questions will be incorporated into the test.
- Developed a marketing campaign to highlight the comprehensive comparison of EPC to PALS, which has resulted in significant adoptions by training centers.
- Participated in the selection process for the NAEMT-AAP Pediatric EMS Award.
- Working with EMSC to update the Family-Centered Prehospital Care guidance document.



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## Prehospital Trauma Committee

- Joanne Piccininni, *Chair*
- Dr. Warren Dorlac, PHTLS Medical Director
- Dr. Meg Morgan, PHTLS Assoc. Medical Director
- Dr. Alexander L. Eastman, Tactical Medical Director
- Dr. Faroukh Mehkri, Assoc. Tactical Medical Director
- Dr. Andrew Pollak, PHTLS Medical Editor
- Dr. Frank Butler, Military Medical Advisor
- Kevin Collopy
- Mark Litwinko
- Dennis Rowe
- Brian Simonson
- Jeff White
- Dr. Tomas Wetterling
- Dr. Phil Moy, NAEMSP Liaison



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## Prehospital Trauma Committee



### Joanne Piccininni, Chair

- All 10th Edition PHTLS course materials were published in English last February.
- The 10<sup>th</sup> edition PHTLS online content is in production and will publish later this month.
- The 10<sup>th</sup> edition PHTLS refresher course is in production and will publish this month as well.
- The 10<sup>th</sup> edition PHTLS for First Responders is in production and will publish in February 2024.
- A new course – PHTLS Advanced Topics – will begin development later this year with an expected publication date of late 2024.



Tomorrow, NAEMT will host the 2023 World Trauma Symposium: *Extraordinary Lessons in Prehospital Trauma Care*. Once again, the committee has created an outstanding program with globally recognized top experts in prehospital trauma.



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## Programs and Initiatives to Support and Advocate for the EMS Profession

- Advocacy Committee
- EMS Disaster Preparedness Committee
- EMS Economics Committee
- EMS Lighthouse Leadership Committee
- EMS Workforce Committee
- Military Relations Council



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## Advocacy Committee

### Committee Members

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|--|---------------------------|
| • Chris Way, <i>Chair</i>                      | • Gustavo Flores          |
| • Steve Kroll, <i>Vice-Chair and PAC Chair</i> | • Allison G. S. Knox      |
| • David Blevins                                | • Dennis Nolan            |
| • Sean Britton                                 | • Bill Salmeron           |
| • Juan Cardona                                 | • Brian Schaeffer         |
| • Tim Dienst                                   | • Deb Von Seggern-Johnson |
| • Rom Duckworth                                | • Jason White             |



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## Advocacy Committee



**Chris Way, Chair**

- Ongoing advocacy for legislative priorities – SIREN Act grants, EMS Counts Act, TIP/TAD, Medicare Extenders and funds for EMS workforce development.
- Conducted multiple online legislative campaigns resulting in 5,950 emails to 428 members of Congress.
- Reviewed 29 federal bills and made recommendations to the Board on level of support.
- Actively participated in EMS On The Hill Day.
- Planned and supported NAEMT EMS PAC events at Hill Day in D.C. and in New Orleans.
- Appointed 20 new advocacy coordinators. Currently, 40 advocacy coordinators support NAEMT advocacy in their respective states.



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## EMS Disaster Preparedness Committee

**Committee Members**

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|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| • David Blevins, <i>Chair</i>       | • Jonathan Jones  |
| • Brian Stennett, <i>Vice-Chair</i> | • Bryan Nelson    |
| • Shane Bellard                     | • Norm Rooker     |
| • Danielle Cortes-Devito            | • Brian Schaeffer |
| • Bruce Evans                       | • Anthony Scott   |
| • Chris Hadis                       | • William Tatum   |
| • Jake Johnson                      |                   |



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## EMS Disaster Preparedness Committee



### David Blevins, Chair

- Planned and led a webinar on *EMS Cybersecurity Readiness and Response*.
- Developed new position on a FEMA ESF for EMS which was adopted by the NEMT Board.
- Developed new position on the role of EMS in DHS Fusion Centers which was adopted by the NAEMT Board.
- Worked with American Red Cross to provide National Preparedness Month NAEMT Member Giveaway of Preparedness Products and Kits (September 2023)
- Developed NAEMT comment to the FEMA National Integration Center on the NIMS Guidelines for Mutual Aid that was approved by the NAEMT Board.
- Developed NAEMT comment to the ASPR National Health Care Preparedness and Response Capabilities pre-decisional draft which was approved the Board.
- Identified webinar presenter on the impact of extreme weather on first responders and patient care.



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## EMS Economics Committee

### Committee Members

- Matt Zavadsky, *Chair*
- Jonathan Washko, *Vice-Chair*
- Regina Crawford
- Steven Kroll
- Dennis Rowe
- Matthew Streger
- Jason White

### Technical Advisors

- Garrett Abrahamson
- Dr. Doug Kupas



### Liaison Members

- Guy Dansie, NASEMSO
- Jim Finger, AAA
- Jerry Overton, IAED
- Jimmy Pierson, AIMHI
- Robert 'Chris' Shimer, IAFC
- David Tan, MD, NAEMSP
- Caleb Ward, MB BChir, MPH, FAAP, AAP



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## EMS Economics Committee



**Matt Zavadsky, Chair**

- Prepared and distributed results of national survey on changes to EMS economic and operational models.
- Led webinar on “EMS in Critical Condition” highlighting the result of the national survey.
- Prepared and distributed results of national survey of MIH-CP programs.
- Developed criteria for new national Community Paramedic of the Year Award that was approved by the NAEMT Board.
- Prepared comment to CMS regarding its concerns about Medicaid supplemental payment programs for ambulance services.
- Developed new position statement on the need for adequate Medicaid reimbursement for EMS.
- Developed NAEMT comment to the Ground Ambulance Payment Bill Advisory Committee on committee’s recommendation to Congress.
- Participated with other national EMS organizations on letter to the Veterans Administration on changes in EMS reimbursements for veteran transports.



## EMS Lighthouse Leadership Committee

**Dave Edgar, Chair**

- Juan Cardona
- Chris Cebollero
- Rom Duckworth
- Baxter Larmon
- Jon Politis
- Macara Trusty
- Shannon Watson
- Steve Wirth





## EMS Lighthouse Leadership Committee



**Dave Edgar, Chair**

- Selected Class of 2024 mentees through a comprehensive application, selection and notification process.
- Planned the first Graduation event for the Class of 2023 mentees.
- Provided series of educational leadership workshops and initiated a monthly journal club for mentees.
- Developed and distributed end-of-program survey to 2023 mentees to obtain their feedback about their mentorship experience.
- Created a capstone project for the 2024 mentees to complete as part of their mentorship.



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## EMS Workforce Committee



**Garrett Hedeem, Chair**

- |                     |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| • Julius Jackson    | • Mark Ponder      |
| • Henry Lewis       | • Darnell Robinson |
| • Nicholas Mutter   | • Brian Shaeffer   |
| • Bryan Nelson      | • Shannon Watson   |
| • Matthew Philbrick | • Melinda Wilson   |



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## EMS Workforce Committee



**Garrett Hedeem, Chair**

- Planned for webinar to report on recent study of violence against EMS practitioners.
- Developed content for a new web page EMS workforce development.
- Developed new national strategy for an EMS recruitment campaign that will be considered by the Board later this year.



## Military Relations Council

**Committee Members**

- Michael Williamson, *Chair*
- Chris Dent
- Warren Dorlac, MD
- Chris Garvey
- James Geracci, MD
- Craig Hall
- Chris Heppel
- Jeffrey Maler
- Jeremy Miller
- Benjamin Proctor

**Liaison Members**

- HMCM Justin Wilson (DHA-JTS)
- Harold Montgomery (Co-TCCC)
- SMSgt Edward Crowe (US Air Force)
- MSgt David Stone (US Air Force)
- SFC Christopher Siler (US Army)

- LCDR Brian Ferguson (US Navy)
- HMC John Ingraham (US Navy)
- Ray Mollers (NREMT)
- Special Operations Medical Association Rep

**Military Medical Advisor:** Frank Butler, MD

## Military Relations Council



**Mike Williamson, Chair**

- Providing a standing forum for representatives of all the U.S. Armed Services to exchange information on military medic training, certifications, and transition into civilian EMS.
- Prepared NAEMT Position Statement on Civilian EMS Certification for Military Medics that was approved by the NAEMT Board.
- Working with NAEMSP on joint position statement on military credentialing requirements for military medics.
- Secured U.S. Coast Guard eligibility for Military Medic of the Year Award.
- Attended and exhibited at SOMA Scientific Assembly.



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## Questions?



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Thank you!