

Integrating Military EMS Providers Into Civilian Trauma Systems

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Military EMS Providers

- Differing levels of training
 - 68W
 - 18D
 - W1
 - SOCM
- Functional roles
 - Special Operations
 - Branch-specific
 - Corpsman
 - PJ

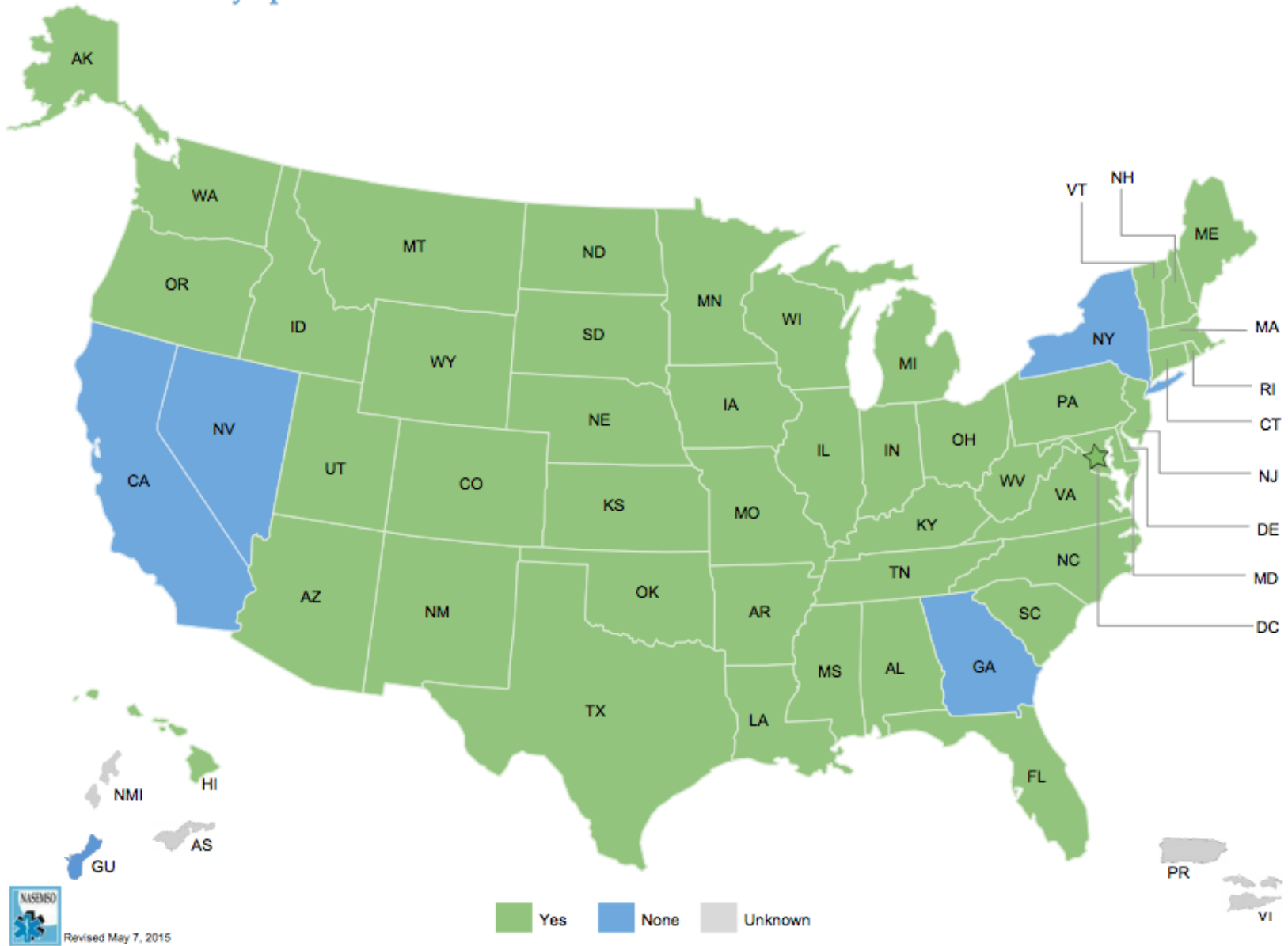
Civilian EMS Providers

- Differing levels of training and certification
 - EMR
 - EMT
 - AEMT
 - Paramedic
- National Standard Curriculum
- State vs. National Registry certification

Civilian EMS Training

	EMR	EMT	AEMT	Paramedic
Preparatory	Uses simple knowledge of the EMS system, safety/well-being of the EMR, medical/legal issues at the scene of an emergency while awaiting a higher level of care.	Applies fundamental knowledge of the EMS system, safety/well-being of the EMT, medical/legal and ethical issues to the provision of emergency care.	Applies fundamental knowledge of the EMS system, safety/well-being of the AEMT, medical/legal and ethical issues to the provision of emergency care.	Integrates comprehensive knowledge of EMS systems, the safety/well-being of the paramedic, and medical/legal and ethical issues which is intended to improve the health of EMS personnel, patients, and the community.
EMS Systems	Simple depth, simple breadth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMS systems • Roles/ responsibilities/ professionalism of EMS personnel • Quality improvement 	EMR Material PLUS: Simple depth, foundational breadth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMS systems • History of EMS • Roles/ responsibilities/ professionalism of EMS personnel • Quality improvement • Patient safety 	EMT Material PLUS: Fundamental depth, foundational breadth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality improvement • Patient safety 	AEMT Material PLUS: Fundamental depth, foundational breadth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History of EMS Complex depth, comprehensive breadth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMS systems • Roles/ responsibilities/ professionalism of EMS personnel • Quality improvement • Patient safety
Research	Simple depth, simple breadth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact of research on EMR care • Data collection 	EMR Material PLUS: Simple depth, simple breadth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence-based decision making 	Same as Previous Level	AEMT Material PLUS: Fundamental depth, foundational breadth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research principles to interpret literature and advocate evidence-based practice

States with Military Specific EMS Rules/Law




 NASEMSO
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National Registry of EMTs

- Independent certifying body
- Certification at the four levels
- Alignment with military training?

Practical Integration Issues

- Mismatches in scopes of practice
- Mismatches in training focus
- Mismatches in functional expectations
 - “Motor pool”
 - Civilian EMS delivery models
- REPLICA

FICEMS

Federal Interagency Committee on EMS

- Support for transition
- Complementary to efforts from WH
- Strategic Plan Partners include:
 - U.S. Dept. of Transportation
 - U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services
 - U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security
 - U.S. Dept. of Defense
 - U.S. Federal Communications Commission

The Way Forward

- Transition and integration
- What is the role of the medic?
- Complete curriculum crosswalking
- Advocate for REPLICA
- Joint training and exercising
- Bridge courses
- MOU
- NDAA