

Year in Review

2017 -18



**Celebrating 43 Years of
EMS Collaboration and Cooperation
1975-2018**

ABOUT AEMS

Arizona Emergency Medical Systems, Inc. (AEMS), a 501(c)(3) non-profit, is a community-based volunteer organization dedicated to enhancing emergency medical services (EMS) and trauma care for the Central Arizona Region (which includes Maricopa, Gila, and Pinal counties).

Since 1975, AEMS has facilitated the collaboration of physicians, nurses, EMTs, paramedics, and hospital administrators to ensure that emergency medical care is delivered in a coordinated manner, and moreover, that it is meeting the needs of the public.

MISSION

AEMS shall facilitate continuous improvement of the diverse components of Emergency Medical Services for the Central Arizona Region, through an inclusive, collaborative, patient-focused, and comprehensive approach, to meet the changing needs of the System and the community.

SUPPORTING SERVICES

Management As a non-profit organization, AEMS is managed by an active and involved Board of Governors and Executive Committee. The Executive Director is the only paid staff person who works in conjunction with the Board and Executive Committee to manage, coordinate, and implement the overall operations of the organization. To ensure organizational accountability, the AEMS Board of Governors, Executive Committee, and Executive Director regularly meet and communicate. During 2017-18, six Board meetings and six Executive Committee meetings were held.

Financial Accountability The AEMS Board of Governors is charged with ensuring that the financial resources of AEMS are properly and efficiently safeguarded, maintained, and used. The Board is also responsible for adopting management practices that foster and support the long-term sustainability of the organization. To uphold the organization's financial health and integrity, a contracted bookkeeper conducts a monthly review and reconciliation of AEMS' finances. Additionally, a financial audit was conducted by Ball & McGraw PC, an independent certified public accounting firm.

Volunteer Hours Through planning, coordinating, implementing, and participating in various AEMS activities, volunteers contributed a conservatively estimated **2735 hours** during 2017-18. **THANK YOU!**

Estimated hours donated per committee:

- Board = 562
- Functional Group = 720
- Executive Committee = 330
- RED Book = 120
- Categorization = 120
- Conference Planning = 750
- Education/Training Presenters = 133

Board Passages

People come into your life for a reason, a season, or a lifetime.

Anonymous

IN MEMORIAM

We were all saddened to learn of the passing of two of our Board colleagues this year. We know their spirits remain alive through their EMS legacy and the memories of those who loved, respected, and treasured them.

Tracey Schlosser, BSN, RN passed away on January 19, 2018.

In 2009, Tracey was elected to serve on the AEMS Board of Governors. For over eight years, Tracey supported and advocated for AEMS while assisting with numerous activities of the EMS Odyssey, RED Book, and Categorization committees. Tracey will be deeply missed by the EMS community. Through her roles as a nurse, prehospital coordinator, and educator, Tracey touched the lives of countless patients, their family members and friends, and EMS, hospital, and other healthcare colleagues. Those of us whom had the privilege of interacting with Tracey through AEMS, always found her a pleasure to work with and appreciated her compassion, wisdom, humor, and warmth.

Thomas L. Wachtel, MD passed away on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

For many years, Dr. Wachtel served on the AEMS Board of Governors where he was the Chair of the Trauma Committee. He was a highly respected surgeon who served as Medical Director at Scottsdale Healthcare. Dr. Wachtel was admired by his fellow AEMS Board members as well as his many other colleagues for his intelligence, kindness, dedication, and compassion. For more than 30 years, he was a senior trauma surgeon and medical director of trauma centers in San Diego (UCSD & Sharp), Denver, Phoenix, and Scottsdale. He has held prestigious leadership positions at medical organizations including the American Burn Association and the American Surgical Association.

VACATED

Several Board members relinquished their positions this year. Special thanks to the following for the support and service provided AEMS during their tenure:

- **Dan Bramble**
- **Paul Dabrowski, MD**
- **Rebecca Haro**
- **Terence Mason, RN**
- **Joel Navarro**
- **Ronalee Quarles**
- **Laurie Wood, RN**

ELECTED

We welcomed the involvement and support of new Board members including:

- **Sheila Bryant, RN** - Representative, Acting as a Pre-Hospital Care Manager for their Hospital Employer, Non-Trauma Center Hospital
- **Chris Riddle** - Representative from Public Employer of EMCTs (from a Political Subdivision of Population less than 50,000)
- **Bobbi Doss** – Representative of an Emergency Medical Care Technician-Paramedic (EMCT-P), Serving their Employers in a Predominantly Non-Administrative Capacity
- **Jeff Case** - Representative from Public Employer of Emergency Medical Care Technicians EMCTs, from Political Subdivision of Population Greater than 500,000
- **Barb Schaffer, RN** - Representative, Acting as a Pre-Hospital Care Manager for their Hospital Employer, Non-Trauma Center Hospital
- **Joseph Sucher, MD** – *Representative Recommended by a Professional Association of Trauma Surgeons*

RE-ELECTED

We congratulated the following members who were re-elected to their Board positions including:

- **Marcia Barry, RN** - Secretary
- **Tom Cole** - Representative of a Public Employer of Emergency Medical Care Technicians (EMCTs), from Distinct Political Subdivision with a Population of Between 50,000 and 500,000
- **John Gallagher, MD** – Representative of a Physician, Active in the Practice of Emergency Medicine and/or Pre-Hospital Administrative Medical Direction, Recommended by a Professional Association of Emergency Physicians
- **Ginny Orcutt, RN** – Representative of a Nurse, Active in Emergency Medical Services, Recommended by a Professional Association of Emergency Nurses
- **Roy Ryals** – Treasurer

2017-18 AEMS BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Janet Backers, RN

*Representative of the Administrations of Hospitals,
Non-Trauma Center Hospital*

Peggy Baker

**AEMS Executive Director*

Chris Barden

*Representative Recommended by an Arizona Association
of Fire Districts*

Marcia Barry, RN

**Secretary, AEMS Board of Governors*

Gail Bradley, MD

**Chair, AEMS Board of Governors*

Barb Bovee, RN

*Nurse, Acting as a Prehospital Care Manager for their Hospital
Employer, Representing a Trauma Center Hospital*

Sheila Bryant, RN

*Nurse, Acting as a Prehospital Care Manager for Their Hospital
Employer, Representing a Non-Trauma Center Hospital*

Jeff Case

*Representative from Public Employers of EMT's
(population greater than 500,000)*

Franco Castro-Marin, MD

Emergency Physician, Trauma Center Hospital

Tom Cole

*Representative from a Public Employer of Emergency Medical Care
Technicians (EMCTs), from Distinct Political Subdivision with a
Population of Between 50,000 - 500,000)*

Paul Dabrowski, MD

*Representative Recommended by
a Professional Association of Trauma Surgeons*

Dan Didier

Representative of the Administration of Non-Trauma Center Hospital

Bobbi Doss

*EMCT-Paramedic, Serving Their Employers in a
Predominately Non-Administrative Capacity*

John Gallagher, MD

*Physician Recommended by a
Professional Association of Emergency physicians
Chair, Patient Management Functional Group

Garth Gemar, MD

**Vice Chair, AEMS Board of Governors*

Joe Gibson

*Representative Recommended by an
Arizona Ambulance Association*

Toni Gross, MD

*Physician, Active in the Practice of Emergency Medicine
and/or Pre-hospital Administrative Direction – Administrative
Medical Director for Pre-hospital*

Ryan Herold, RN

*Representative from a Public Employer of Emergency Medical
Care Technicians (EMCTs), from Distinct Political Subdivision
with a Population of Between 50,000 and 500,000*

Andrew Johnston

Representative from an EMCT Training Program

Robert Londeree, MD

**Past Chair, AEMS Board of Governors*

Terry Mason, RN

Citizen of the AEMS Region

Kathleen Moore, RN

*Representative of the Administrations of Hospitals,
Trauma Center Hospital*

Mike Naehrbass

*EMCT, Serving Their Employers in a Predominately Non-
Administrative Capacity*

Mark Nichols

Representative from a Rural EMS Provider Agency

Sandy Nygaard

**Chair, Planning & Outreach Functional Group*

Ginny Orcutt, RN

*Representative, Active in Emergency Medical Services,
Recommended by a Professional Association of Emergency
Nurses*

Roy Ryals

**Treasurer, AEMS Board of Governors*

Barb Schaffer, RN

*Nurse, Acting as a Prehospital Care Manager for their
Hospital Employer, Representing a Non-Trauma Center
Hospital*

Ryan Southworth, DO

*One Physician, active in the practice of emergency medicine
and/or pre-hospital administrative medical direction,
practicing at a Non-Trauma Center Emergency Department.*

* Indicates Executive Committee member

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Statement of Financial Position – June 30, 2018

ASSETS

Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$321,453
Accounts Receivables	6150
Prepaid Expenses	<u>2,141</u>
Total Current Assets	329,744

Property and Equipment, Net	<u>3,730</u>
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TOTAL ASSETS **\$333,474**

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$5,452
Accrued Payroll Expenses	9,027
Prepaid Membership Dues	<u>5,150</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>19,629</u>

Total Liabilities **\$ 19,629**

Total Net Assets **313,845**

TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS **\$333,474**

Statement of Activities for the Year Ended June 30, 2018

Revenues	Net Assets
State Contract	\$ 120,500
Membership Dues	58,380
Annual Conference Fees	46,190
In-Kind Donations	<u>6,500</u>
Total Program Revenues	231,570
Expenses	
Program Expenses	
Education and Prevention	90,252
Planning	41,759
Community Outreach	15,914
Advocacy	<u>10,609</u>
Total Program Expenses	158,534
Management and General	<u>23,751</u>
Total Expenses	<u>182,285</u>
Increase in Net Assets Before Other Income or (Loss)	<u>49,285</u>
Other Income or (Loss)	
Interest Income	113
Loss of Disposition of Assets	<u>(271)</u>
Total Other Income or (Loss)	(158)
Change in Net Assets	49,127
Net Assets at June 30, 3017	<u>264,718</u>
Net Assets at June 30, 2018	\$ 313,845

**Financial information reprinted from Independent Auditors' Report, June 30, 3018
Prepared for AEMS by Ball & McGraw, PC, Certified Public Accountants**

PROGRAM AREAS OF FOCUS

Education, Prevention, and Training Education, training, prevention, and awareness activities are a cornerstone function of AEMS. During 2017-18, AEMS coordinated the 18th Annual EMS Odyssey Conference. Additionally, AEMS coordinated six Functional Group meetings which averaged approximately 40 participants. The Functional Group meetings promoted education through presentations of Topical Focus (discussion of current issues), Agency/Hospital and Program Profiles (Central Arizona Region information sharing), and Lunch N Learn (knowledge based learning).

Planning, Community Outreach & Resources and Advocacy Planning is an intrinsic part of AEMS' mission. It is a necessary tool to implement all of AEMS' activities from the Functional Group process to the Board level. Through collaboration and cooperation with the Central Arizona Region EMS and trauma care professionals, community outreach and resource coordination are a natural focus and outcome of AEMS' activities. Advocacy is crucial to the AEMS' mission as well as for its service to the State of Arizona. AEMS is charged with working together and advocating for the best practices of EMS and trauma care for the Central Arizona Region and statewide.

EDUCATION • PREVENTION • TRAINING

2017-18 Functional Group Presentations

Topical Focus

- Understanding Transgender Medicine from EMS to ED
Meg Bergeson, DNP, ACNP-BC, FNP-BC
- How Can You Be Connected? Enhancing EMS Professionals Support of Arizona's Veterans and Military Community
Dean Pedrotti, BS, MBA and Emily Laflamme
Crisis Response Network
- Orchestrating a Better Death Story
Jessica Hanson, RN
- Moral Injury: Comparing Military Service to Emergency Medical Service
Dean Pedrotti, BS, MBA and Linda MacLeish, MC, LPC, E-RYT
- Opioid Counterfeits
Ayrn D. O'Connor, M.D.
Banner University Medical Center-Phoenix, Department of Medical Toxicology

Central Arizona Region Agency / Hospital Profiles

Arizona Fire & Medical Authority

Daisy Mountain Fire District

Gila River Rescue Task Force

Rural Arizona Mobile Integrated Healthcare (AzMIH) Network

Banner Thunderbird Medical Center – Trauma Center

Dignity Health Arizona General Hospital

Integro Health Systems

Lunch N Learn

- Pediatric Strokes
Brian Appavu, MD
Phoenix Children's Hospital
- The Magic of Mindfulness
Jamie Valderamma, MAIS
Arizona State University



2018 EMS Odyssey Conference

Pre-Conference The 18th Annual EMS Odyssey conference began with a Pre-Conference held on May 9, 2018 at the Desert Willow Conference Center in Phoenix. This Pre-Conference was divided into two training components.

The morning session - **Frontline on the Homefront** - provided a panel of various experts on the subject and patients presenting their personal experience on how EMS may better respond to vets in crisis. We are grateful for the time, expertise, and experience shared by Dean Pedrotti, BS, MBA; Annette Hill, MC, LPC, NCC, EMDR-Certified Therapist; Terry Araman; and Budd Gilbert

The afternoon session - **Ventricular Assist Devices (VADS)** - was a hands-on workshop that provided caregivers with expertise on how to manage VAD patients in emergency and transport situations. Participants were provided the opportunity to interact with actual LVAD patients. Special thank you to Allen C. Wolfe, Jr, MSN, CNS, APRN, CFRN, CCRN, CTRN, CMTE for his coordination and instruction of this training.

EMS Odyssey Main Event AEMS successfully implemented the 18th Annual EMS Odyssey Conference held May 10-11, 2018 at the Desert Willow Conference Center in Phoenix. Some of the main conference presentation topics included: Cultural and Medical Competency Relating to Transgender Patients; Innovations in the Management of Intracranial Hemorrhage; Not on My Shift: Behavioral Health Problems; Orchestrating a Better Death Experience; Opioid Abuse: What is the Future?; Be Connected: Suicide Prevention for AZ Service Members, Vets, and Families; Mass Casualty Events in War; The Magic of Mindfulness; Southwest Critters: A Toxic Relationship; Hot Topics in EMS; Wilderness Breakdown: Mental Health Emergencies in the Wild; and Just When You Thought You Had Seen It All: and Crazy Case Studies.

Additionally, a special pediatric track was offered that included: School Shootings and Pediatric Trauma; Recent Advances in Prehospital Pediatric Trauma; Child Maltreatment for First Responders; Recognition and Care of Sepsis in the Pediatric Patient; Pediatric Special Considerations.

A special thank you to all our fantastic presenters for their time, expertise, and experience shared: Kubwimana Moses Mhayamaguru, MD, EMT-P; Meg Bergeson DNP, ACNP-BC, FNP-BC; Bernard Bendok MD, MSCI, FACS, FAANS, FAHA; Dave Tellez, MD, FCCM, FAAP; Noreen Vanca, RN, MS, COO, CNO; Jessica Hanson, RN; Emily Laflamme; Lynn Browne-Wagner, MSN, RN; Joseph Sucher, MD, FACS; Jamie Valderrama, MAIS; Julie Baumgarth, MSN, RN, CPNP-AC, SANE A/P; Jonathan Maitem, DO; Zebulon Timmons, MD, FAAP; Steven A. Maher, M.D., FACEP, FAEMS; Chris Williams, MD, FAWM; Alexander, Toledo, D.O., Pharm.D., FAAEM, FAAP; and Joseph Winchell, DO, FACEP;

As the result of the generous financial assistance and contributions made to the AEMS Scholarship Fund, the registration fees were waived for 15 participants of the 2018 EMS Odyssey. Thanks to assistance from the Arizona Department of Health Services, Bureau of Women's and Children's Health, ten scholarships were awarded to rural providers and three scholarships were awarded to nurses

PLANNING • COMMUNITY OUTREACH & RESOURCES • ADVOCACY

RED Book (Regional EMS Directory) The RED Book continues to serve as valuable resource tool for field EMS and trauma personnel. As a “living document,” the RED Book requires frequent updates and changes. The RED Book Committee, which is composed of the Valley Medical Directors group and other Region constituents, meets regularly to discuss current evidence-based science and re-evaluate current protocols for practicality, effectiveness, and scientific recommendations.

During 2017-18, RED Book Chapter 3, Standing Orders content was regularly reviewed to ensure patient safety and best practices. Various updates, word modifications, and formatting changes were applied to content relating to: Special Consideration; Management of Pediatric Cardiac Arrest; Hypoglycemia; Sedation; Pediatric Sedation; Drug Profile; Trauma Centers and PICU Locations; Adult Respiratory Distress; 12 Lead; Special Circumstances; Hypoglycemia for Adult and Pediatrics; Adult Wide Complex Tachycardia; Sepsis Adult; Sedation; Pain Management; Altered Neuro; Poisoning/OD; and Termination of Resuscitation

Categorization The activities of the Categorization Committee during 2017-18 included:

- Reviewed and revised RED Book, Chapter 7, Categorization, including the questionnaire.
- Categorized Honor Health Scottsdale Shea Medical Center – Stroke Center
- Updated Categorization matrix.
- Elected a new Chair, Dan Didier with Abrazo Community Health Network.

The Southeast Sector Diversion Oversight Committee (SESDOC) Because Diversion activities in the SE Sector were thought to have reached a steady and acceptable state in 2017, the SE Sector Diversion Oversight Committee (SESDOC) was placed on hiatus in the mid-portion of that year. Because of a flurry of Diversion activity in early 2018, accompanied by a fairly drastic prolongation of ambulance off-load times, an emergency meeting of the reconstituted SESDOC was held in February 2018.

Many aspects of the diversion/no-diversion and off-load policies of the Sector were candidly discussed at the meeting. It was felt that continued oversight of these processes and ongoing collegial efforts of both hospital and pre-hospital agencies to increase patient and emergency department safety were necessary during times when the system was operating at full surge capacity.

Other sectors in the urban Maricopa County had similar issues and were having good results operating under sub-regional guidelines. SE Sector stakeholders took note of this, and believed their issues could best be addressed through their already-in-existence East Valley Agencies Committee. The AEMS Executive Committee and the AEMS Board of Governors agreed. The SESDOC was permanently disbanded shortly thereafter.

Regional Emergency Medical Services Coordinating System Central Regional EMS Council for the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) On behalf of the State of Arizona, AEMS serves as the Regional Emergency Medical Services Coordinating System for the Central Arizona Region. AEMS continues to have a productive and successful partnership with ADHS and maintains representation on and active involvement with numerous state committees and initiatives concerned with EMS, trauma, disaster preparedness, stroke, pediatric, community paramedicine, and other pertinent issues.

RECOGNITION

In the arena of human life, the honors and rewards fall to those who show their good qualities in action.

Aristotle

Recognition has always been a big part of AEMS. It is a tradition of our EMS Odyssey Conference that we designate time to recognize the EMS and trauma care professionals serving the Central Arizona Region. During AEMS Board of Governors' Annual Meeting, we present Service Awards to honor individuals and agencies/hospitals that have significantly contributed to the advancement of the AEMS organization.

The Aces of Hearts Awards honors EMS and trauma professionals who go that "extra mile" while on duty. This was our 17th year in offering an EMS recognition program and we are always excited to acknowledge the work of so many fine recipients.

Service Awards This year three individuals were recognized for their outstanding contributions to the AEMS organization. This special Service Award was presented during the AEMS Board of Governors meeting in October 2017.

With appreciation and gratitude to the following:

Toni Gross, MD

Alyson Welch

Betty Yunick

Aces of Hearts In recognition of outstanding EMS, trauma, and other healthcare professionals serving the Central Arizona Region, the Aces of Hearts Awards were presented during the EMS Odyssey Conference on May 11, 2018.

Congratulation to our 2018 Aces of Hearts recipients:

Ian Brown

*Banner Desert Medical Center
Cardon Children's Medical Center*

Tricia Davison

Banner Estrella Medical Center

Daniel Fitzpatrick

Glendale Fire Department

Chris Laughner

Banner - University Medical Center Phoenix

Josh Leahy

Tempe St. Luke's Medical Center

Jesus Rivera

Surprise Fire-Medical Department

Holly Rodgers

Banner Goldfield Medical Center

Niki Salazar

Banner Ironwood Medical Center

Luther Victor

San Carlos EMS



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING EMS SERVICE
FOR THE CENTRAL ARIZONA REGION**

SUPPORT

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.

Helen Keller

2018 MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN AEMS depends on organization (agency/hospital) membership dues as a primary source of revenue for its continued operation. Membership dues contribute to over half of AEMS' administrative and program budgets. AEMS was just shy of achieving its 2018 membership goal of \$65,000, reaching only **\$58,380.00**. Thanks to all those who assisted with securing the financial support of their agency/hospital - AEMS appreciates your help in our attempts to reach our goal. Special thanks to all the hospitals and agencies listed below - your continued support is appreciated. We are also grateful for all the individuals whom contributed to this year's campaign.

Member Organizations

ABC Ambulance
Abrazo Arrowhead Campus
Abrazo Central Campus
Abrazo Peoria Emergency Center
Abrazo Scottsdale Campus
Air Evac Services
American Medical Response (AMR)
Arizona City Fire District
Arizona Fire & Medical Authority – Sun City West
Arizona Fire & Medical Authority – Sun Lakes

Banner Baywood Medical Center
Banner Casa Grande Medical Center
Banner Desert Medical Center
Banner Estrella Medical Center
Banner Gateway Medical Center
Banner Goldfield Medical Center
Banner Ironwood Medical Center
Banner Thunderbird Medical Center
Banner University Medical Center-Phoenix
Buckeye Valley Fire District
Casa Grande Fire Department
Chandler Fire, Health, and Medical Department
Circle City – Morristown Fire District
Daisy Mountain Fire District
Eloy Fire District
Gila River EMS
Gila River Fire Department
Gilbert Fire & Rescue Department

Gisela Valley Fire Department
Glendale Fire Department
Goodyear Fire Department
Hellsgate Fire Department
HonorHealth Deer Valley Medical Center
HonorHealth John C. Lincoln Medical Center
HonorHealth Scottsdale Osborn Medical Center
Honor Health Scottsdale Shea Medical Center
HonorHealth Scottsdale Thompson Peak Medical Center

Life Line Ambulance
Maricopa Ambulance
Mayo Clinic Hospital
Mesa Fire and Medical Department
MIHS - Maricopa Medical Center
Native Air / Air Methods
Payson Fire Department
Peoria Fire and Medical Department
Phoenix Children's Hospital
Phoenix Fire Department
Queen Creek Fire and Medical Department
St. Joseph's Hospital & Medical Center
St. Luke's Medical Center – Phoenix
San Carlos Apache Healthcare Corporation
Scottsdale Fire Department
Superstition Fire & Medical District
Surprise Fire-Medical Department
Tempe Fire Medical Rescue Department
Tempe St. Luke's Hospital
Waterwheel Fire & Medical District

Individual Contributors

Marcia Barry, RN	Gail Bradley, MD	Garth Gemar, MD	Robert Londeree, MD
Terence Mason, RN	Roy Ryals	Barbara Schaffer, RN	

Special thanks to all our volunteers, supporters, and friends.

SUPPORT

Every little helps.

Danish Proverb

Additional Resource Support AEMS is an organization with limited funding. AEMS is grateful to all those agencies and hospitals that have provided in-kind and other resource support.

In-Kind Donations

During 2017-18, we received an estimated **\$6,500 of in-kind donations**.

- Board meeting and Functional Group meeting space and lunches - St. Luke's Medical Center
- Executive Committee meeting space - Banner Desert Medical Center
- EMS Odyssey CE coordination - Air Evac
- Computer equipment rental for EMS Odyssey conference - various agencies and hospitals
- Gift baskets and other prize donations for the EMS Odyssey conference - various agencies, hospitals, and individuals

2018 EMS Odyssey Sponsors

Air Evac Services	Native Air and Life Net – A Division of Air Methods
American Medical Response	Phoenix Children's Hospital
Dignity Health	Steward Healthcare Phoenix Children's Hospital
HonorHealth Trauma Centers	Zoll
Maricopa Ambulance	

2018 EMS Odyssey Exhibitors

Abrazo Community Health Network	Drowning Prevention Coalition of AZ
Arizona Academy of Emergency Services	Ferno EMS
Arizona Emergency Nurses Association	Grand Canyon University
Aurora Behavioral Health System	Integro Health Systems
Banner Health	MIHS Maricopa Medical Center
BoundTree Medical	Stryker

Columbia Southern University
Professional Services

Professional Services

AEMS would like to thank the professionals whom provided us with various services that supported our nonprofit management and program needs during 2017-18. These professionals included:

Barrie Blum	Nancy Combs & Staff	Grant Preston	Marji Shepherd
Copy Express	O'Day Printing Corporation	WebTread	Bookkeeper
Shelly Burkhart	Craig Hollinger & Staff	Patricia Ricci & Staff	
Pink Design	Ball & McGraw PC	Desert Willow Conference Center	

AFTERWORD

The past year has been another very successful one for AEMS. During 2017-18, AEMS promoted and coordinated numerous opportunities for education, information and networking exchanges, resource sharing, and engagement on issues concerning Central Region EMS. This year AEMS partnered with the Arizona State Fire School to provide education to rural EMS providers.

We continue to appreciate and be thankful for the ongoing participation and support that we receive from our EMS, Fire-Based, and hospital-based partners. AEMS members have maintained an active voice for Central Region EMS through our AEMS activities and representation on State committees and in their meetings. We look forward to 2018-19 and the opportunities that will be presented to us. We look forward to another active and productive year for AEMS, our member agencies, and partners.

Gail Bradley, MD
Chair

Central Arizona Region EMS Provider Agencies and Hospitals

ABC Ambulance	Chandler Fire, Health & Medical Department	Native Air Ambulance
Abrazo Arrowhead Campus	Chandler Regional Medical Center	Payson Fire Department
Abrazo Buckeye Emergency Center	Christopher Kohls Fire District	PCSO Search and Rescue Posse
Abrazo Central Campus	Circle City - Morristown Fire District	Peoria Fire and Medical Department
Abrazo Peoria Emergency Center	Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center	Phoenix Children's Hospital
Abrazo Scottsdale Campus	Coolidge Fire Department	Phoenix Fire Department
Abrazo West Campus	Daisy Mountain Fire District	Pima Medical Institute
Aguila Fire District	Dignity Health Arizona General Hospital – Emergency Rooms	Pinal Rural Fire Rescue
Air Evac Services	El Mirage Fire Department	Pleasant Valley Fire District
Ak-Chin Fire Department	Eloy Fire District	PMT Ambulance
American Medical Response (AMR)	Florence Fire Department	Queen Creek Fire & Medical
Arizona Academy of Emergency Services	Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation Fire Department	Queen Valley Fire District
Arizona Ambulance Association	Fountain Hills Rural/Metro Fire Department	Regional Fire and Rescue Department
Arizona American College of Emergency Physicians	Gila Bend Fire Department	St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center
Arizona Children's Center (at Maricopa Medical Center)	Gila River Casinos EMS	St. Joseph's Westgate Medical Center
Arizona City Fire District	Gila River EMS	St. Luke's Medical Center (Phoenix)
Arizona Emergency Medicine Research Center	Gila River Fire Department	Salt River Fire Department
Arizona Emergency Nurses Association	Gilbert Fire and Rescue	San Carlos Apache EMS
Arizona Fire & Medical Authority – Sun City West	Gisela Valley Fire District	San Carlos Apache Healthcare Corporation
Arizona Fire & Medical Authority – Sun Lakes	Glendale Fire Department	San Carlos Fire Department
Arizona General Hospital – Laveen	Globe Fire Department	Scottsdale Fire Department
Arizona General Hospital - Mesa	Goodyear Fire Department	Southwest Ambulance
Arizona Hospital & Healthcare Association	Guadalupe Fire Department	Stanfield Fire District
Avondale Fire-Rescue	Harquahala Valley Fire District	Sun City Fire-Medical Department
Banner Baywood Medical Center	Hellsgate Fire Department	Superior Fire Department
Banner Boswell Medical Center	HonorHealth Deer Valley Medical Center	Superstition Fire & Medical District
Banner Cardon Children's Medical Center	HonorHealth John C. Lincoln Medical Center	Surprise Fire-Medical Department
Banner Casa Grande Medical Center	HonorHealth Scottsdale Osborn Medical Center	Tempe Fire Medical Rescue Department
Banner Del E. Webb Medical Center	HonorHealth Scottsdale Shea Medical Center	Tempe St. Luke's Hospital
Banner Desert Medical Center	HonorHealth Scottsdale Thompson Peak Medical Center	Thunderbird Fire District
Banner Estrella Medical Center	HonorHealth Sonoran Health and Emergency Center	Tolleson Fire Department
Banner Gateway Medical Center	Hu Hu Kam Memorial Hospital	Tonopah Valley Fire District
Banner Goldfield Medical Center	Life Line Ambulance Service, Inc.	Tomto Basin Fire District
Banner Ironwood Medical Center	Life Net Arizona	Tri-City Fire District
Banner Thunderbird Medical Center	Lifestar EMS	Waterwheel Fire & Medical District
Banner University Medical Center-Phoenix	Maricopa Ambulance	Western Fire Department
Black Canyon Fire District	Maricopa Fire Department	Whispering Pines Fire District
Buckeye Fire Medical-Rescue	Mayo Clinic Hospital	Wickenburg Community Hospital
Buckeye Valley Fire District	MCSO Medical Rescue Posse	Wickenburg Fire Department
Canyon Fire District	Mercy Gilbert Medical Center	Wilderness Medics
Carl T. Hayden VA Medical Center	Mesa Fire and Medical Department	Wittman Fire District
Casa Grande Fire Department	MIHS / Maricopa Medical Center	
Central Arizona Mountain Rescue	Mountain Vista Medical Center	

The above list is intended to be inclusive. If your organization was omitted, we regret this unintentional oversight.