



Functional Group Meeting

September 17, 2025 (Wed)

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

ZOOM

You Must Register to Participate

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Passcode: **aems**

I. EDUCATION

10:00 am - Lunch N Learn

Spine Injuries in EMS

Nicolas Grisoni, MD

Orthopedic Surgeon

Abrazo Health

11:00 am - Topical Focus

Cardiac Arrest Survival Summit

Sandra Clarke

Associate Director

Citizen CPR Foundation

II. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS 11:30 am

A. General Report Ryan Southworth, DO

1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
2. AEMS Announcements
 - a. 2026 Membership Dues
 - Organizational - <https://aems.org/membership/renew>
 - Individual - <https://aems.org/donate>
3. Old Business
4. New Business
5. State Report

B. Planning & Outreach Report Sandy Nygaard, Chair

1. Education
 - a. EMS CE Fall Forum - December 11, 2025
 - b. OBLIS - Updates & Rural Health Webinar (Oct 16, 2025)
 - c. EMS Odyssey Conference - June 17, 2026
2. Outreach
 - a. AEMS 50th Anniversary - Oct 25, 2025
 - b. Agency/Hospital/Fire Contacts - Update
 - c. Rural Summit - Oct 23, 2025

C. Patient Management Report Ryan Southworth, DO, Chair

1. Categorization – Garth Gemar, MD **STATUS**
https://issuu.com/arizonaemergencymedicalsystems/docs/categorization-status-report-current?fr=xKAE9_zU1NQ
2. RED Book - Garth Gemar, MD
 - a. Central AZ Regional EMS Guidelines - Franco Castro-Marin, MD
3. Phx Stroke Cntr Coalition - Garth Gemar, MD/ Robert Londeree, MD
4. Pediatric - Mickey Kovach, RN
5. Other Reports

D. Special Presentation

Celebrating Central Arizona: Excellence in EMS and Trauma Care

E. Adjournment

NEXT MEETINGS:

AEMS Functional Group - November 19, 2025

AEMS Board of Governors - October 15, 2025

Functional
Group
2025
Voting Members

Planning & Patient Management

Michelle Angle
Kevin Bailey
Garth Gemar, MD
Martin Murphy

Sandy Nygaard
Roy Ryals
Barbara Schaffer, RN
Ryan Southworth, DO

Planning Only

Dawn Polkabila
Olivia Brothers, RN
Kim Reger, RN

Patient Management Only

Shari Brand, MD
Mickey Kovach, RN