

A focus on personal, patient and community safety...



APRIL 1, 2025 13th EMS Financial Symposium | **APRIL 2-4, 2025** 17th Annual National EMS Safety Summit: A Safety Academy



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A Focus on Personal, Patient, and Community Safety

***Convened by the Mile-High Regional Emergency Medical and Trauma Advisory
Council (Mile-High RETAC) since 2008
Embassy Suites by Hilton- Downtown Denver
1420 Stout Street, Denver, Colorado, 80202***

April 2-4, 2025

17th Annual National EMS Safety Summit Agenda

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Wednesday, April 2, 2025

9:00 – 9:15

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Charles Mains, MD, FACS
*Chairman Mile-High RETAC,
Trauma System Consultant, Peaks Division,
Intermountain Health Care*

David Ross, DO

*Associate Dean, Clinical Education and Graduate Medical Education
University of Northern Colorado, College of Osteopathic Medicine*

High Reliability- Just Culture

9:15 – 10:45

Managing Risk in a High-Risk Environment

Krista Haugen, MN, RN, CMTE

National Director of Patient Safety, Global Medical Response

10:45 – 11:15

Vendor Introductions

Safety Summit Vendors

11:15 – 11:30

Break with Vendors

Patient Safety

11:30 – 12:15

Inter-Facility Transport (IFT) Risk Assessment

Austin Wingate, NRP, CCEMT-P

EMS Chief, Grand County EMS

12:15 – 1:00

Lunch Break with Vendors

Patient Safety

1:00 – 1:45

***Sedation and Physical Restraint- Protecting Your
Patients, Employees, and Department***

Roger Patterson, LP

*Commander, Health and Safety Officer
Austin-Travis County EMS*

Patient Safety

Bryan Fass Memorial Presentation

1:45 – 2:45

Case Studies in Patient and Provider Safety 2025

Scott Bourn, PhD, RN, FACHE

*Co-Founder, Faculty Member, NAEMSP
Quality and Safety Course*

Safety Culture & Safety Miscellaneous

2:45 – 3:30

Promoting Post-Crash Care

David Bryson, EMT

EMS Specialist, US DOT NHTSA

3:30 – 4:00

Break with Vendors

Wellness - Lifting

4:00 –5:00 **Functional Testing in EMS**

Frederick Haas, Jr., MS, NRP, DICO-C
Geisinger EMS, Safety Manager

5:00 **Closing Remarks**

David Ross

Managers Reception Hotel Atrium- 4th Floor

5:00pm to 6:30pm

Thursday, April 3, 2025

9:00 **Welcome**

David Ross

Patient Safety

9:05 – 10:15 **Never Have I Ever: Never-Events in EMS**

Matthew Streger, Esq. MPA, NRP
Attorney at Law, Keavney & Streger, LLC

Safety Culture & Safety Miscellaneous

10:15 – 11:00 **The Way We've Always Done it: How Normalization of Deviance is Dangerous to an Organization**

Chris Hilliard, MS, GSP, DICO-C, NR-P
Health and Safety Coordinator
Sussex County EMS

11:00 – 11:15 **Break with Vendors**

Scene Safety

11:15 – 12:00 **Collaboration Statement Law Enforcement & EMS**

Douglas Kupas, MD, NRP, FAEMS, FACEP
Professor of Emergency Medicine
Medical Director, Mobile Integrated Healthcare Program (MIH) Program
Director, Resuscitation Programs
David McCardle, MD
President Tac Med MD PLLC

12:00 – 12:45 **Lunch Break with Vendors**

Risk Management

12:45 – 1:45

Legal Privileges and Self- Protection

Matthew Streger

Wellness - Lifting

1:45 – 2:30

***A Guide to Becoming a Professional Pickup Artist:
Techniques for Safe Patient Handling in EMS***

**Rick Binder, EMT (R)
CEO, PHASE Int'l**

2:30 –3:00

Break with Vendors

Patient Safety

3:00 – 4:00

***Falls in the Elderly- The Gravity of the Epidemic &
EMS Interventions***

Douglas Kupas

Wellness- Physical Fitness

4:00 – 5:00

My Diagnosis is Exactly the Gift I Needed

**Robert Weisbaum, BS, NRP, MPO, FP-C
EMS & Fire Chief, Crested Butte Fire Protection District**

5:00

Closing Remarks

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Friday, April 4, 2025

9:00

Welcome

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Scene Safety

9:05 – 10:00

EMS Safety at Shelters

**Andrew Caruso, AS, EMT, CEM
New Jersey EMS Task Force**

Mental Health Safety

10:00 – 11:00 ***LAWS: Cultivating Leadership Thru Vulnerability & Curiosity***

Nick Metz, MS, LPCC (Retired Police Chief)
Code-4 Counseling, LLC
President, It's A Calling Foundation
Executive Board Member, Colorado Fallen Hero Foundation

11:00 – 11:15 **Break with Vendors**

Risk Management

11:15 – 11:45 ***Enterprise Risk Management for EMS***

Peter Dworsky, MPH, EMT-P, CEM, FACPE
Markel Insurance, Senior Risk Solutions Specialist

Driving & Roadside Safety

11:45 – 12:30 ***Why Do Ambulances Crash? Examining the Use of Telematics in EMS Safety Research***

Garrett Hedeem, MHA, LP
Occupational Health & Safety Specialist Sr.,
Austin -Travis County, EMS

12:30 – 1:00 **Lunch Break with Vendors**

Infection Control

1:00 – 2:00 ***If It's Red, Sticky, and Not Yours, Don't Touch it: The Ins & Outs of Setting UP an Infection Control Policy***

Chris Hilliard

2:00 – 2:15 **Break with Vendors**

Safety Culture & Safety Miscellaneous

2:15 – 2:45 ***Implementing the Revised Model Minimum Uniform Crash Criteria***

David Bryson

Scene Safety

2:45 – 3:45 ***Safety in Atypical Environments***

Andrew Caruso

3:45

Closing Remarks & Certificates

David Ross

Thank you for attending this year's, Safety Summit

See you Next Year...

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