

EMS & Healthcare Relationships

What Hospital CEOs Need to Know



Rural EMS

- EMS is dangerous, in rural areas there are few support resources.
- Serving friends and family at the scariest times of their life.
- How can EMS, Hospitals and Public Health work together?
- What is the role of Paramedicine?
- Impact of Opioids abuse.



EMS & Healthcare Management



Department of Health and Human Services

Protecting the health of all Americans and providing essential human services, especially for those who are least able to help themselves.

- Alex Azar II, Secretary of Health and Human Services



Department of Homeland Security

Protecting the United States against threats. Duties include aviation security, border control, emergency response and cybersecurity.

- Kirstjen Nielsen, Secretary of Homeland Security

Relationship Challenges

- Focus on many rural EMS is Fire.
- EMS generally feels they are treated as inferior.
- In rural communities resources are limited. Rural EMS is severely underfunded.



Paramedicine: Transition from Volume to Value

HOME BASED CARE

- What skillset is necessary?
- Medication reconciliation
- Post discharge education
- Community resource navigation
- Fall risk assessments



Getting it Right: Improving Patient Outcomes

- EMS is a key component of the emergency cardiovascular care chain of survival.
- The right partnerships can significantly decrease door to balloon time.



Partnership Opportunity - Hands Only CPR

Two steps to save a life:



- Shown to be effective for cardiac arrest.
- Can double or even triple a victim's chance of survival.



Impact of Overdoses

Taking care of family and friends in rural areas can be psychologically devastating.



Potential for EMS and Healthcare

DEFINITE PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

- Shift resources from Fire to today's issues.
- Partner on prevention vs rescue (Population Health).
- Empathize with EMS.
- Build ER and EMS as a team – Train together.
- Bring them to the table on issues like STEMI, Stroke and Hands Only CPR.

