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NEMSIS 2020 Mid-Year Public-Dataset Now Available

Salt Lake City, Utah, August 19, 2020 – The National Emergency Medical Services Information System Technical Assistance Center (NEMSIS TAC) today announced the availability of the 2020 Mid-Year Public-Release Research Dataset. With this release, NEMSIS aims to improve understanding of, confidence in, and support for EMS data collection and analysis that will lead to that data being utilized more effectively to improve patient care.

"We're making a mid-year release of the 2020 dataset available because of the overwhelming requests from researchers interested in looking at different aspects of EMS service during the Spring outbreak of COVID-19," said Dr. N. Clay Mann, Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Utah School of Medicine and Principal Investigator for the NEMSIS Technical Assistance Center. "We're hoping the early release will give researchers a jump-start on their work improving EMS services during a pandemic."

The 2020 Mid-Year Public-Release Research Dataset is a subset of the National EMS Database that is the repository for EMS data collected from U.S. States and Territories. NEMSIS is a national standard for how patient care information resulting from an emergency 9-1-1 call for assistance is collected. The dataset includes 19,749,812 EMS activations submitted by 10,620 EMS agencies servicing 47 states and territories.

Those interested in requesting a copy of the 2020 Mid-Year Public-Release Research Dataset can contact the NEMSIS TAC and fill out a request form at their website <u>https://nemsis.org/using-ems-data/request-research-data</u>. A password-protected USB drive containing the dataset, the 2020 Mid-Year NEMSIS Data User Manual, NEMSIS Data Dictionary v3.4.0 will be sent via FedEx.

ABOUT NEMSIS

The National Emergency Medical Services Information System (NEMSIS) is the national database that is used to store comprised of EMS data from states and territories. NEMSIS is a universal standard for how patient care information resulting from an emergency 9-1-1 call for assistance is collected. In short, NEMSIS is a collaborative system to improve patient care through the standardization, aggregation, and utilization of point of care EMS data at a local, state, and national level.