

2023 - 2024 NEMSIS Advisory Board



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Brooke Burton is the Quality Improvement Manager for Unified Fire Authority in Salt Lake County, UT and has 28 years of EMS experience working as a paramedic in rural to urban environments. Brooke serves on advisory boards for the International Journal of Paramedicine, NEMSIS, and EMS World magazine, is the President-elect of the National EMS Management Association (NEMSMA), Vice President of the National EMS Quality Alliance (NEMSQA), and

faculty for several national EMS Leadership programs. Brooke was the recipient of the American Ambulance Association 2016 award for Best Quality Improvement Program and is a nationally known writer, researcher, and speaker on EMS quality and leadership.



LeAta (Lee Etta) Jackson | Data Analyst, Botetourt County Fire & EMS & Bedford County Department of Fire & Rescue | Irjackson.llc@gmail.com

LeAta (*Lee Etta*) Jackson is the contract data analyst for Botetourt County Fire & EMS and Bedford County Department of Fire & Rescue in southwestern Virginia. She is also a consultant

to other agencies for assistance with EMS patient care reporting validation and configuration of EMS systems. LeAta has worked with Fire/EMS for almost 20 years for various agencies and local hospitals, and has overseen many successful conversions or upgrades of patient care reporting systems.

LeAta has a degree in Computer Science from Union College (NY) and has her Project Management Professional (PMP) certification. LeAta loves working with data, business validation rules, successfully moving data from one place to another, and training users on successful input and output of that data. She has collaborated outside of Fire/EMS on DOD, ATF, US Park Police and BioTech projects, where she bridges the gap between technology and end users. The other side of her brain has been fed with a degree from the Al Pollard Culinary Arts program at Virginia Western, and with her love of music and travel.



Josh Legler, MS, BA | Data Consultant | josh@joshlegler.com

Joshua Legler, MS, BA, is an EMS data consultant. He helps federal, state, and local governments and EMS agencies implement and use EMS data systems. He is an expert in the National EMS Information System (NEMSIS) data standard and works as a consultant to the

NEMSIS Technical Assistance Center to further the development and adoption of the standard. Previously, Mr. Legler served as the state EMS data manager for Utah, where he oversaw the development of several innovations in EMS data systems, including the use of web services, data warehousing and business intelligence, Schematron-based data validation, and integration and interoperability with other healthcare data systems. He has a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration from the University of Washington and a Master of Science in Information Management from Syracuse University.





Steve McCoy, MS, EMT-P | EMS Director/Bureau Chief, Florida Bureau of Emergency Medical Oversight | steve.mccoy@flhealth.gov

Steve McCoy is the State EMS Director/Bureau Chief for the Florida Bureau of Emergency Medical Oversight. Steve began his tenure in state government in 2006 as Florida's EMS Training Coordinator. He has also served as the State of Florida EMS Data Manager and Quality Improvement Coordinator where he focused on clinical improvements and the implementation

of various data systems. Steve was promoted to Chief of the Bureau of Emergency Medical Oversight in 2021. His field-level and state government experience has led to multiple years of participation as a board member of the Federal Interagency Committee on EMS (FICEMS), the National Association of State EMS Officials, the National EMS Quality Alliance (NEMSQA) and a board member of the National Registry of EMTs (NREMT). Steve oversees the certification and licensure of 75,000+ EMTs and Paramedics, 302 EMS agencies, 75+ EMT and Paramedic training programs, and 7,400 Public Safety Telecommunicators. Steve has a proven track record of implementing successful programs throughout the EMS industry.



Tom McGinnis, MHA, EMT-P | Chief EMS Division, California | tom.mcginnis@emsa.ca.gov

Tom has been a licensed paramedic since 1989 and started in EMS as an EMT in 1984. He has served in executive level management for an ambulance service and began working for the State of California EMS Authority in 2008. He currently serves as the EMS Division Chief for the California EMS Authority with oversight of the state level EMS data system among other EMS program areas. Tom served as the Chair of the Data Managers Council for NASEMSO from 2019

– 2022. He has a master's in health administration and is frequent world traveler in his time off.



Lesa Melbostad | Compliance Manager, Revenue Cycle, Golden Hour | LMelbostad@zoll.com

Ms. Melbostad oversees operational compliance processes for Golden Hour, A ZOLL Company, within the Revenue Cycle Management department. Lesa's healthcare experience began in 1984, holding various nursing positions, and leadership roles. In 2006 Lesa joined

Golden Hour Data Systems, and started a journey in the ambulance industry, developing prebilling and coding practices, policies, and procedures, and providing customer education. In 2019 Lesa was certified in healthcare compliance by the HCCA. Lesa brings a focus on education, and training, to her role, developing strong skill sets within customer groups and staff members. Lesa lives on a lake in Minnesota, enjoying time with family, friends and eight grandchildren.





David Millstein | Chief, National Fire Data Center, USFA | David.millstein@fema.dhs.gov

David (Dave) Millstein is the Chief of the EMS Branch at the U.S. Fire Administration. He leads an experienced and dedicated team responsible for developing national strategy and initiatives in support of national EMS delivery and leveraging the use of data to drive decision-making processes. His in-depth knowledge of U.S. fire and EMS departments has been developed over more than twenty years in the volunteer and career fire service as a paramedic, firefighter, and

officer. Dave is a Nationally Registered Paramedic and Hazardous Materials Specialist and is extensively certified in Fire/Rescue disciplines. He has an undergraduate degree in Management and a Master of Science in Emergency Management.



Frank Sloan, PMP, CHDA, RHIA, NRP | CARES | frankcares@emory.edu

Frank is Associate Director, Data Integrations for the Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survival (CARES). Frank works with ePCR Vendors and NEMSIS 3 XML daily at CARES. He loves technology and software. He is a constant optimizer and a technology and strategy consultant to several organizations. Frank has years of experience in complex problem-

solving. Beginning with years of being a paramedic in the field to more recently designing technology solutions. He excels at organizing chaos and presenting a polished finish. He believes in a people-first approach to technology. Frank looks after people, whether co-workers, patients, or partners. Frank loves the feeling when someone receives "the best" as a result of his or his team's efforts.



Ryan Stark | Managing Partner, Page, Wolfberg & Wirth | rstark@pwwemslaw.com

Ryan Stark is a Managing Partner with Page, Wolfberg & Wirth, and is the firm's resident "HIPAA guru." He counsels clients on labor relations, privacy, security, reimbursement and other compliance matters affecting the ambulance industry.

Ryan is passionate about educating EMS professionals and loves collaborating with providers and CEOs alike. He is a featured speaker in PWW seminars and webinars, including the firm's signature abc360 Conference. He is also an adjunct professor at Creighton University in the

school's Master of Science in Emergency Medical Services Program and a visiting profession at Harrisburg Area Community College.

Ryan developed and is the primary instructor for the nation's first and only HIPAA certification for the ambulance industry – the Certified Ambulance Privacy Officer. He also co-authored PWW's widely used Ambulance Service Guide to HIPAA Compliance.





Sundown Stauffer | Firefighter/Paramedic, Houston Fire Department | sundown.stauffer@houston.tx.gov

Sundown Stauffer is a firefighter/paramedic with the Houston Fire Department. He has worked as a first responder since 2000. He also works as an instructor, data visualizer, project planner, QA analyst, and occasional furniture mover. When not at work he enjoys grilling, pool cleaning, chess, and history.



Brian Tegtmeyer, ENP | Coordinator, National 911 Program, NHTSA | brian.tegtmeyer@dot.gov

Brian Tegtmeyer, ENP (Emergency Number Professional) serves as the National 911 Program Coordinator at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Office of EMS (OEMS). He has more than 28 years of experience in public safety communications at the

local, state and national level.

Brian began his career as a dispatcher at an Illinois police department before serving in various leadership roles in 911 systems. His experience includes managing an Illinois 911 center with 44 agencies serving a population of more than 850,000 citizens. Brian spent over a decade as a national educator teaching public safety telecommunicator courses and has been an active member of multiple public safety organizations and various Telecommunicator Emergency Response Taskforces (TERT).

Inspired by the ever-evolving landscape of emergency communications, Brian aspires to continually advance 911 across the U.S. through four areas of focus: Improving 911's ability to impact Highway safety, impacting collaborating with stakeholders, connecting systems nationwide, and creating and sharing resources. In this way, the Program meets its mission of continually finding ways to advance 911 services to the Nation's communities.