

EMS WEST

Annual Report Fiscal Year 2022-2023

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2022 – 2023
(Current as of June 30, 2023)

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Financial Statement of income and expenses:

During Fiscal year 2022-2023, EMS West received program funds in the amount of \$2,356,071 from the Department of Health and spent the entire amount to support the EMS system in sixteen counties. An independent financial audit will be completed in the fall of 2023.

Regional Activities

EMS Update 2023 was held in person March 23, 24, and 25. 1007 attendees participated, representing 41 PA counties. Participants also traveled from Delaware, Florida, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and West Virginia. Seventy-eight sessions were offered. The conference provided 5543.5 CPC credits, 1202 Other credits and 184 EMSVO credits.

Medical Direction

55 Medical Command Physicians were registered.

86 Medical Command Physicians were re-registered.

7 Medical Command facilities were renewed.

1 New Medical Command facility was approved.

There are 39 medical command facilities in the region.

The regional Medical Advisory Committee met 3 times.

Systems Operations

	<i>Initial</i>	<i>Renewal</i>
	<i>Service</i>	<i>Service</i>
ALS	2	28
IALS	0	0
BLS	1	9
QRS	1	14
AIR	0	0

113 license applications were processed.

177 total EMS agencies in the region - 129 transporting agencies, 71 QRS agencies, 8 Swiftwater rescue, 8 rescue, 4 air services

Staff conducted 11 unannounced agency inspections.

Practitioner Services (numbers based on DOH EMSRS system)

Total In Region

EMR	506
EMT	6112
Advanced EMT	204
Paramedic	2154
Pre Hospital RN's	437
Pre Hospital Physicians	117
Pre Hospital Physicians Extender	17
EMS-Instructor	598
EMSVO only*	163
Medical Command Physician	475

(note: EMS instructors are dual certified)

*(*EMSVO denotes sole certification)*

Management Systems

There were over 580,000 Patient Care Reports generated and processed in the region.

Most Common Medical Categories (as seen by EMS [excluding not applicable/not available/transfers]):

- 1) Sick person 19.8%
- 2) Fall Victim 8.1%
- 3) Breathing Problems 6.6%
- 4) Traumatic Injury 4.2%
- 5) Chest Pain 4.1%
- 6) Unconscious/Fainting 4.3%
- 7) Abdominal Pain 3.1%
- 8) Psychiatric Problem 2.3%
- 9) Traffic Accident 2.4%
- 10) Stroke/CVA 1.7%

Busiest time of the day for EMS calls is 1400-1500, followed by 1000-1100, 1300-1400, 1200-1300.

Busiest day of the week is Friday, followed by Wednesday and then Tuesday.

70.1% of calls were treated and transported by EMS. 4.3% of the patients seen (according to PCRs) required no treatment. 5.0% of the patients (according to PCRs) refused care. 10.6% of EMS calls were canceled, 3.6% of patients were treated and released and 0.90% were DOA.

22.5% of patient destination basis was by patient choice. 20.0% of the time it was based on closest facility. 5.6% was based on regional specialty care center, 6.7% based on patient's physician choice, 3.8% on family choice and 0.1% was based on diversion status.

Education

19 EMR programs ran in the region

79 EMT programs ran in the region

6 AEMT programs ran in the region

7 Paramedic programs ran in the region

5 EMS-Instructor classes were held; 70 EMS Instructors re-registered their credentials

64 PHRN applications received

12 PHRN Prepare classes held, 16 EMT Prepare classes held; 4 AEMT Prepare class held; 2 Paramedic Prepare class held

Conducted 59 BLS psychomotor examinations and 15 ALS psychomotor examinations

Conducted 70 class visits

4 Educational Institutes were reaccredited; 17 total Educational Institutes in the Region

Continuous Quality Improvement

188 Fatal Accident Reports were submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation | Bureau of Maintenance and Operations.

The regional QI committee met 6 times.

WMD/Emergency Preparedness Activities

EMS West was actively involved in local, regional, and state level communication and mitigation activities throughout the year on a variety of fronts. EMS West participated in almost countless conference and video calls with EMS and healthcare entities region-wide on a daily and weekly basis as required. In addition, EMS West continues to participate with the Northern Tier Healthcare Coalition, the Southwest PA (Region 13) Task Force, the Region 13 Health and Medical Committee, the Southwest PA Healthcare Coalition, and numerous subcommittees of each. EMS West also continues to support the PA EMS Strike Teams in western Pennsylvania.