



**EMERGENCY HEALTH  
SERVICES FEDERATION**  
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# EMERGENCY HEALTH SERVICES FEDERATION ANNUAL REPORT ANNEX

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## **APPENDIX A**

### **Technical Assistance**

Many of the issues this year were relative to the increased pressure being felt by EMS Agency Mangers, and Providers. Constant communications regarding workforce shortage, and providers feeling tired and unappreciated. With the aggressive activity of agencies merging into our larger health systems, providers who had worked at numerous agencies can no longer do so as they are part of the same organization.

We worked on sharing our vision for reducing the pressure. Our vision has been widely accepted with enthusiasm. Coordinated numerous discussions with EMS agency leadership, EMAs, PSAPs, and physician partners on how best to develop a model that includes prevention, harm reduction, and nontraditional handling of low acuity patients. Our communications included the following initiatives.

Utilize our Medical Reserve Corp to assist with public service calls and working fires.

Placement of Nurse in PSAPs to triage low acuity patients away from EMS as appropriate.

Develop a pilot to provide a warm handoff of opiate overdose patients in the field.

Build on our existing work with LTC facilities to reduce EMS response.

Utilization of Community Paramedicine programs to manage appropriate patients.

Enhanced *PA Medic* for emergency departments to report operating status to EMS.

## OTHER REPORTABLE AREAS OF INTEREST

### Work Force Development - NIMS

Percentage of staff completing NIMS Training (ICS)	90%
Indicate the number of staff members who completed the following NIMS Courses	
IS-100	90%
IS-700	90%
IS-800	80%
IS-200	80%
IS-703	30%
ICS-300	60%
ICS-400	60%

*Workforce Development Narrative:*

Administrative Staff has yet to be trained. Some operational staff have received additional training and certifications.

### EMS Agency Mergers or Acquisitions

Number of EMS Agency Mergers or Acquisitions	8
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*Mergers or Acquisitions Narrative:*

There were eight EMS agency mergers: Northeastern Adams Fire & EMS into Community Life Team, Grantley Fire Company into First Capital EMS, West York Ambulance into First Capital EMS, York Regional EMS into First Capital EMS, Waynesboro Area Advanced Life Support into WellSpan EMS, WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital ALS into WellSpan EMS, First Capital Transport into WellSpan EMS, and Spring Grove Ambulance into WellSpan EMS.

There were three discontinued EMS agencies: Tri-Community Ambulance Association of York County (BLS), Ono Fire Company (QRS), and York Springs Fire Company (QRS).