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National EMS Coordinated Database Data Use Policy

Intent

This policy describes the allowed use for data submitted to and derived from the National EMS Coordinated Database (NEMSCD).

Scope

This policy applies to data provided by Member States of the Commission for inclusion in the National EMS Coordinated Database (NEMSCD) and data derived from that submitted. This policy does not apply to National Registry certification systems or the National EMS ID (NEMSID) system.

Definitions

Commission – The national administrative body of which all states that have enacted the Interstate Recognition of Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact (REPLICA)

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NEMSCD – National EMS Coordinated Database, a database and reporting system capable of collecting, storing, safeguarding, and accessing information related to the licensure of all licensed individuals in Member States and any significant investigative information or adverse action taken against those persons or their licenses

Member States – State EMS Offices that are members of the Compact or organizations authorized by Member States to submit data into NEMSCD on their behalf

Submitted Data – primary source equivalent data and information submitted by Member States into NEMSCD

Policy

The National EMS Coordinated Database (NEMSCD) is administered exclusively by the National Registry according to an agreement with the Commission and in accordance with the Compact, Commission bylaws, and rules promulgated by the Commission.

All data submitted to the NEMSCD by Member States shall be primary source equivalent and shall constitute the property of the submitting party. As such, the submitting party is responsible

for ensuring the accuracy of all Submitted Data and shall provide updates and corrections to those data as appropriate (see NEMSCD Data Definitions). The National Registry shall not modify Submitted Data. Each Member State submitting provider data into NEMSCD will be required to submit a list of restricted provider data fields (see attached form Restricted Data Fields List), which is not accessible to Member

States other than the submitting party. Except as required by law, the National Registry shall not distribute or disclose non-public data to third parties without the express written approval of the Member State that submitted and owns the data.

The Commission has granted a free, perpetual, non-exclusive license to use Submitted Data for National Registry operations. Subject to any provisions of that licensing agreement, operational data derived from source data submitted by Member States to NEMSCD or data that is independently gathered by the National Registry shall constitute the property of the National Registry. Operational data derived exclusively from source data submitted by the Commission or Member States shall not be used for commercial purposes without the express approval of the Commission. The National Registry and the Commission shall collaborate to develop a fiscal sustainability plan that may include commercial use of data derived from NEMSCD submissions.

Rationale

The *Agreement Between the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice and the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians* describes the ownership and use of information submitted to NEMSCD. That agreement requires collaborative development of an allowed data use policy.

Limitations to the use of NEMSCD data is appropriate because the National Registry is the NEMSCD administrator and is allowed operational use of NEMSCD data as set forth in the Agreement between the National Registry and the Commission.

Related Policies and Procedures

NEMSCD Database Access Policy
NEMSCD Restricted Data Fields List
NEMSCD Data Definitions (xls)

References

Agreement Between Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice and National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians, executed June 29, 2018

Rules of the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice, www.emscompact.gov.



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