

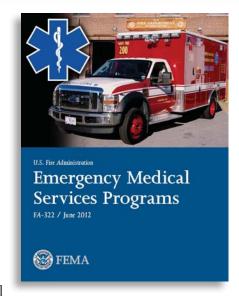


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Learning Objective: The student shall identify new Emergency Medical Services courses offered at the National Fire Academy.

The 2008 Reauthorization of the U.S. Fire Administration added "advanced emergency medical services training" to the list of topics that the National Fire Academy shall provide. Since that time, the NFA has evaluated the EMS courses that already existed, gathered input from across the nation and began developing new courses. Recently, the following courses have become available.

R0147/R0847 — "Emergency Medical Services Incident Operations" is specifically designed to meet the needs of responders managing the medical portions of a medium- to large-scale incident. EMSIO provides students with the opportunity to apply Incident Command System organizational structure, resource management, patient tracking and documentation skills to mass casualty scenarios including planes, trains, buses, stadiums, hazardous materials, active shooters, and environmental and natural disasters.



R0158 — "Emergency Medical Services: Quality Management" provides the background and principles associated with implementing a departmental quality management program. Through the use of internal data collection and analysis, students practice with examples and develop a specific process improvement program for their own agency.

R0139 — "Hot Topics Research in Emergency Medical Services" is the counterpart to EMS:QM in the effort to identify, promote and embrace evidence-based change decisions. HTREMS presents the process of effective collection and presentation of data through the use of a wide variety of research resources. Students will prepare a persuasive justification for a topic pertinent to their agency.

F0166/W0166 — "EMS Functions in ICS" is a two-day course also designed to meet the needs of responders managing the medical portions of a medium- to large-scale incident. Through tabletop exercises, students apply ICS skills to the medical components of mass casualty incidents including structure fires, wildland fires, mass gathering special events, active shooters, hazardous materials and medical facility evacuations. (This course is available off campus, coordinated through state fire training agencies.)

Information on course schedules and application forms can be found at www.usfa.fema.gov/nfa.

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