



# EMS Safety

Taking safety to the streets

**Saturday, March 10, 2012**

**8 am – 5 pm**

Emergency Medical Services is a dangerous job. To help promote a culture of EMS safety and to help reduce the number and intensity of injuries incurred by EMS practitioners in carrying out their work, The **National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT)** has introduced the EMS Safety course. EMS Safety is the first national and most comprehensive education program of its kind that teaches techniques on how to best achieve safety on the job.

## The EMS Safety Curriculum

The course charges students to become leaders in creating a culture of safety within EMS and identifies steps they can take to be a part of the process. The curriculum covers the following:

**Crew resource management** — Adapts airline industry concept of a “sterile cockpit” to ambulance cab and patient compartments, stressing clear communications and situational awareness.

**Emergency vehicle safety** — Reviews principles of defensive driving, ambulance design dangers, use of warning lights and sirens and risk mitigation techniques.

**Responsibilities in scene operations** — Addresses roadside safety, apparatus, lighting, high-visibility clothing, and interagency planning and cooperation, giving students the opportunity to describe how they would protect the scene in a series of simulated incidents.

**Patient handling** — Covers body mechanics and safe moving of patients using proper lifting techniques and mechanical and other transfer aids, strategies to avoid common back injuries, the “EGGS” methodology, proper evaluation, planning and preparation for patients and the environment, and equipment selection and use.

**Patient, practitioner and bystander safety** — Discusses crime scenes and dangerous facilities, commonly improvised weapons, techniques of verbal de-escalation and restraints.

**Personal health** — Outlines the importance of personal health.

**LOCATION:** North Shore – Long Island Jewish Health System  
Center for Emergency Medical Services  
15 Burke Lane, Syosset, NY 11791

**COST:** The cost for the course is **\$100.00**  
(Payable by Municipal purchase order, money order or certified check to **NS-LIJHS CEMS**)

Any questions please call: 516-719-5065

**You can Email registration to [sbouse@nshs.edu](mailto:sbouse@nshs.edu),  
credit cards accepted (Call during business hours to use credit card)**

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