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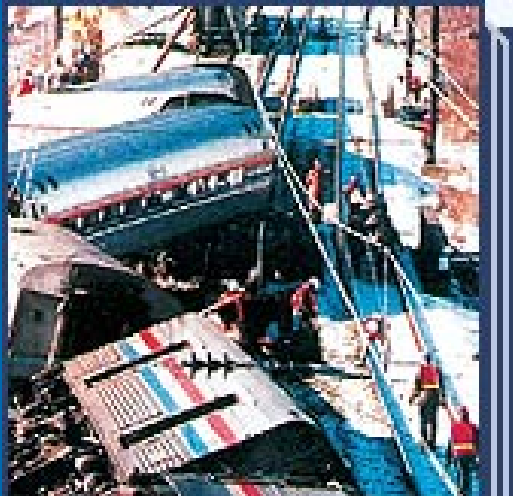
**The Future of EMS/ITS  
Communications**

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# World Changes





Where?



**Notification**

Conditions?

Other  
Responders  
or Resources  
Needed?

Medical  
History?

What  
Kind of  
Help?

**Dispatch**



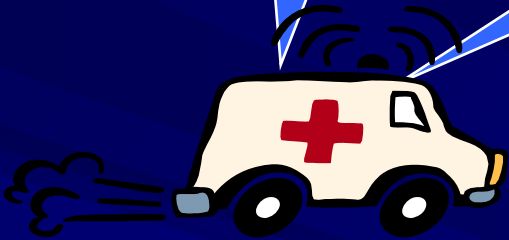
How Many  
Victims?

Fastest Route  
to Hospital?

**En route**

**Which hospital?**

**Fastest route to hospital?**



**Transport**

**Quarantine?**

**How many operating rooms?**

**Condition?**



**How many victims?**

**Medical history?**

**Call in specialists?**

**Special equipment needed?**

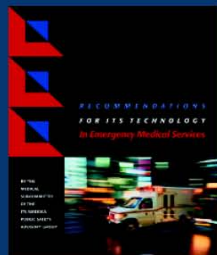
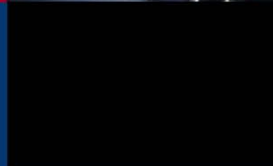
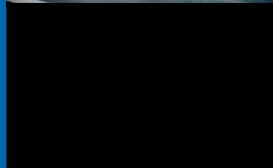
**RECOMMENDATIONS  
FOR ITS TECHNOLOGY  
*In Emergency Medical Services***

**BY THE  
MEDICAL  
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# LET'S CONNECT THE LINKS IN THE CHAIN OF SURVIVAL



AN INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN  
*The National Task Force for  
Advanced Emergency Information  
Exchange Networks*





# EMS Communications – the Future

- Network of Networks
  - Voice, Data, Video
- Description of Requirements
- Suggested Development/Advocacy Methods

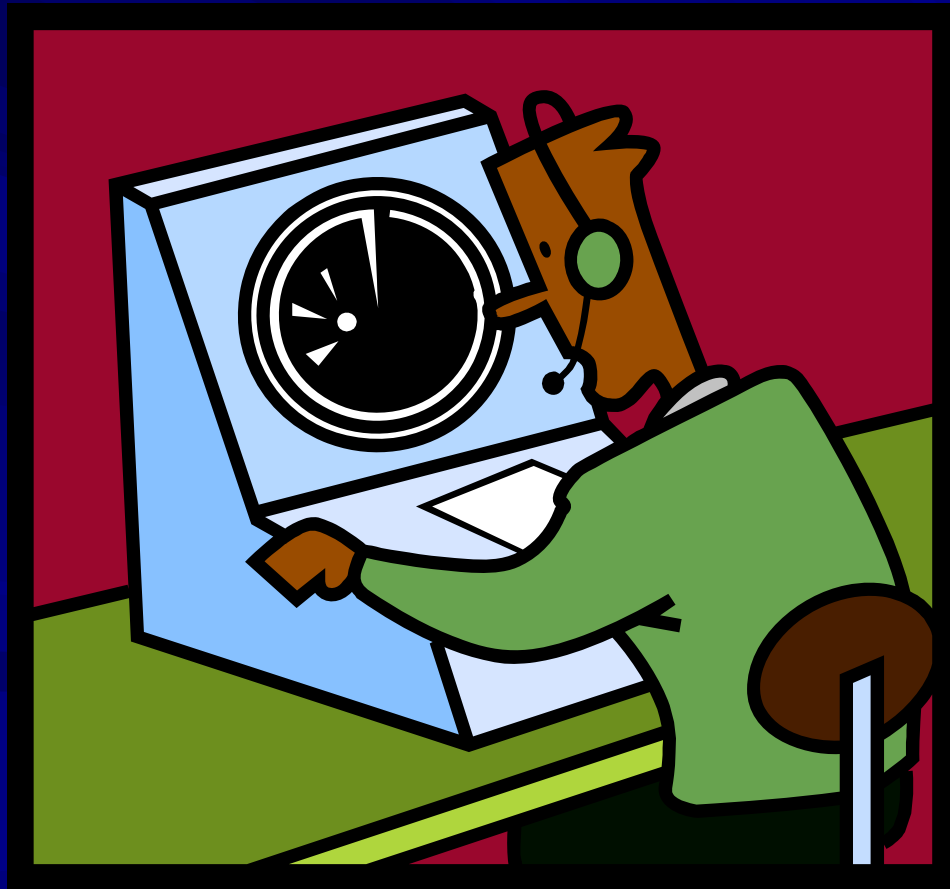
# ITS TECHNOLOGY

→ EMS



“Push-me-pull-you”

# EMS Resource and Event Monitoring System (EMSREMS) “Polling Device”



# EMSREMS

Ridgeway EMS 1

UNITED AMB.

MERCY HOSP.

LIFE FLIGHT

MVC

CITY FIRE/RESCUE

DIABETIC

JONES MEM. HOSP. CARDIAC  
(DIVERT)

CITY TRAUMA CTR.

EMS 1 1800-0600  
•K. McGinnis P11024  
•G. Smith E86054  
EMS 2 Out of Svc.

MVC

VERNON FD  
VOLUNTEER  
AMBULANCE

RIDGEWAY EMS

NEW SHARON FD  
1<sup>ST</sup> RESPONDERS

RIDGEWAY FD  
EXTRICATION/HAZ MAT

RIDGEWAY HOSP.

LEREMS

DOTREMS

FREMS

# LEREMS

CITY JAIL

LIFE FLIGHT

MVC

CITY P.D.

CITY TOW

JUDGES/COURTS/  
WARRANTS

STATE POLICE –  
B BARRACKS

KRISPY KREME  
DONUTS –  
They're Hot!

DOMESTIC ASSAULT

MVC

VERNON PD

NEW SHARON PD

RIDGWAY TOW

SMITH CO. JAIL

RIDGWAY P.D.

SMITH CO. S.O.

EMSREMS

DOTREMS

FREMS

# FREMS

Fire Danger Level 3

CITY FD STATION 2

HYDRANT STATUS

UNITED

SMOKE INVEST. AMBULANCE

  
MVC

CITY FD  
FIRE/RESCUE/HAZ MAT

CITY FD STATION 1

CITY FD  
LADDER





Burning Permit

  
MVC

VERNON FD

NEW SHARON FD

POND/HYDRANT  
STATUS

     
STRUCTURE FIRE

POND/HYDRANT  
STATUS

RIDGWAY FD  
EXTRICATION/HAZ MAT

Burning Permit

POND/HYDRANT  
STATUS

RIDGWAY EMS

LEREMS

DOTREMS

EMSREMS

Weather Alert:

Snow 4 – 6”

**DOTREMS**

CITY DPW

CITY TOW

MVC

*CITY TRAFFIC MANAGENT CTR. +++*

MVC

VERNON PLOW SVC.

NEW SHARON  
PLOW SVC.

RIDGWAY TOW

RIDGWAY DPW

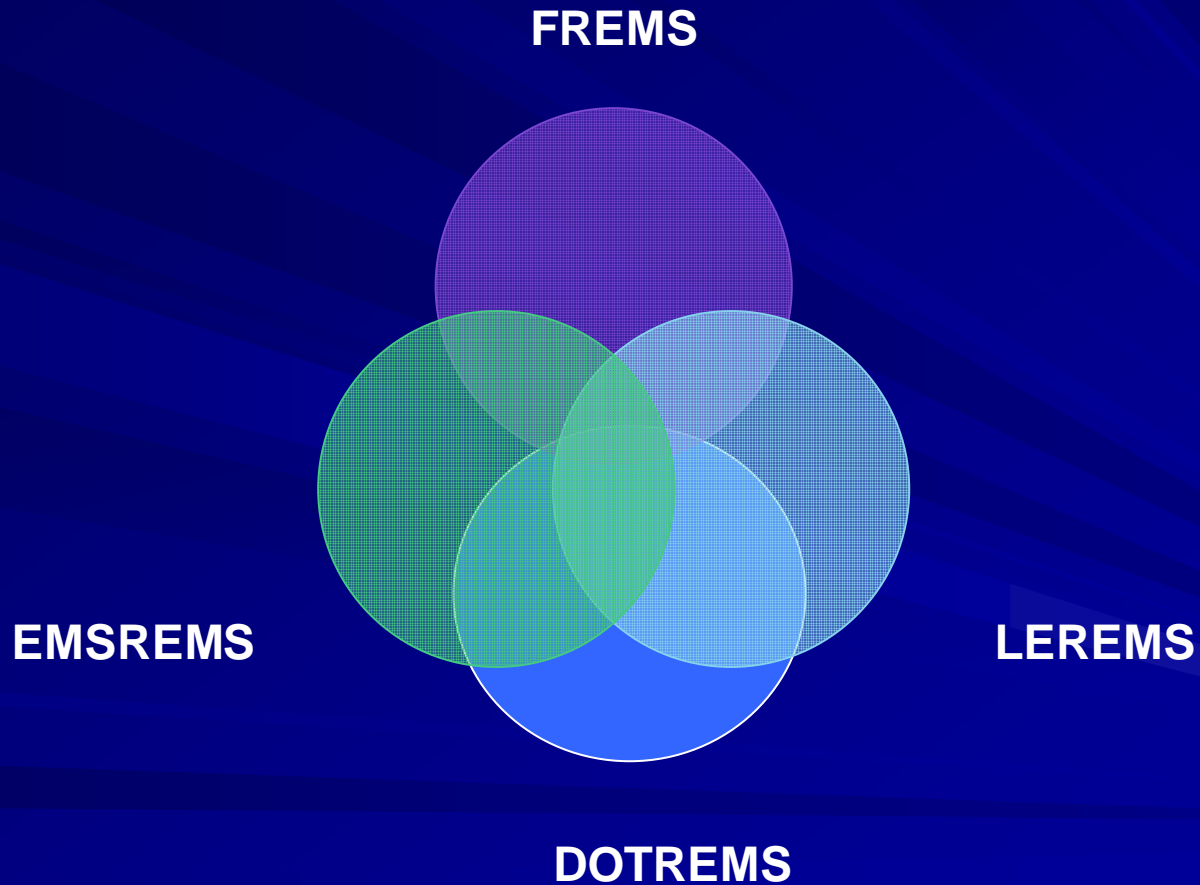
LEREMS

EMSREMS

FREMS

# Database

## “Network of Networks”





# EMS Communications: Current and Future

- “I wonder...” vs. “I know...”
  - System Status Pre-Dispatch
  - Event
  - Dispatch
  - To Scene
  - At Scene
  - To Hospital
  - Emergency Department/Specialty Unit
  - Transfer To Specialty Center

Event: “I have no clue...”



Ridgeway EMS 1

EMSREMS

**ACN Alert**

UNITED AMB.

MERCY HOSP.

LIFE FLIGHT →

ETA: 12 Min's.

MVC

CITY FIRE/RESCUE

JONES MEM. HOSP. CARDIAC  
(DIVERT)

CITY TRAUMA CTR.

DIABETIC

Team On Alert for Pt:+

VERNON FD  
VOLUNTEER  
AMBULANCE

NEW SHARON FD  
1<sup>ST</sup> RESPONDERS

RIDGEWAY EMS

MVC

ED On Alert for Pt: +

RIDGEWAY FD  
EXTRICATION/HAZ MAT

RIDGEWAY HOSP.

2 Patients/45MPH  
Car/Object/Head  
On

Ames St. to Clark St. to Old  
Highway (E); 15.2 Mi.s;  
#3945 Old Highway

ETA: 10 Min's.

++Severity

# At Scene: “I wonder...”



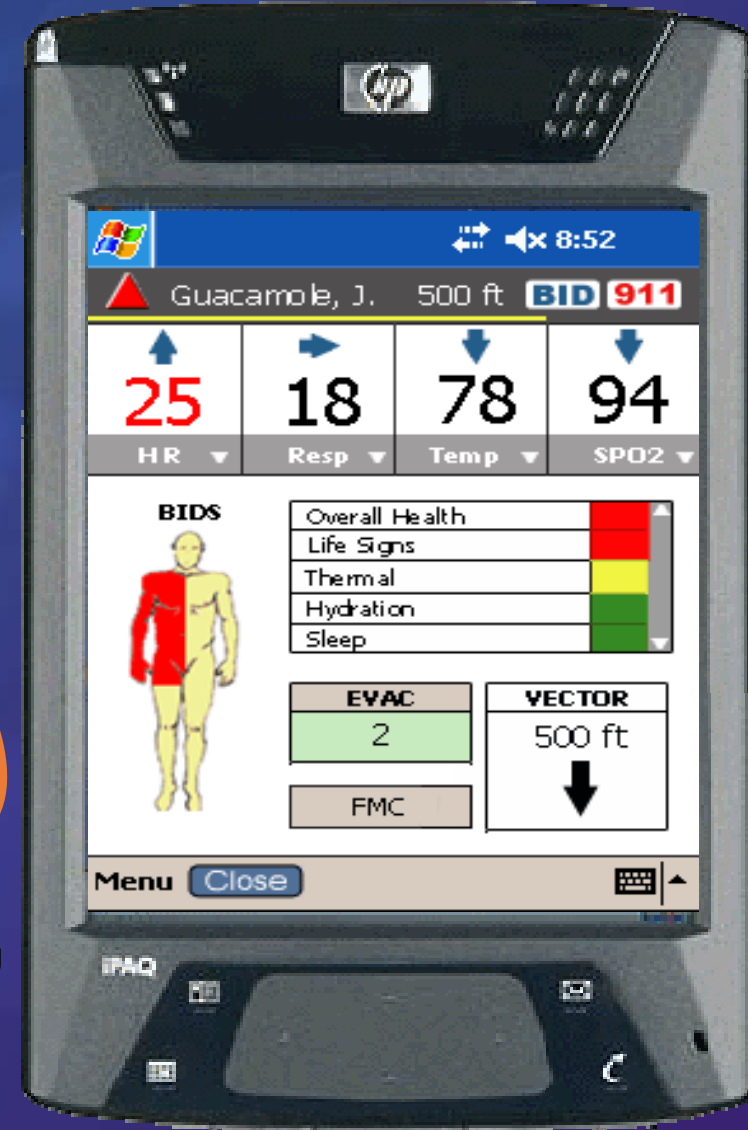


Electronic Health Record

Portable PSCD Type Platform



Speech Recognition Input



Wireless Patient Monitoring

Ridgeway Hospital

EMSREMS

UNITED AMB.

UNITED CCT

United Wheelchair

DOTREMS

MERCY HOSP.

LIFE FLIGHT

To MVC

MVC

JONES MEM. HOSP. (DIVERT)

CARDIAC

CITY TRAUMA CTR.

- SOAP Notes
- 3/4 Lead EKG
- 12 Lead EKG
- VS Monitor

MVA

MVC

Pt.1

Pt.2

VERNON FD VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE

RIDGEWAY EMS

RIDGEWAY HOSP.

Specialist Call List

Service Call List

Tib/Fib Fx x1/x1

AO x 4

140/90;88;18;CR+

2ary -; GCS-,TS-



# Needs Summary

- Polling Devices (No → BMIS-T)
- Accessible Databases
- Database Interfaces (USDHS: CAP, DE, NIEM)
- Interoperable Voice/Data Communications (USDHS: NIEM, SafeCom/DM)
- Wall-to-Wall Connectivity/Accessibility (Rural Areas)
- Further Technology Development
  - Radio Frequency ID Applications
  - Advanced Automatic Collision Notification (AACN)
  - Software Defined Radio
  - Alerting (Vehicle and System)
  - Speech Recognition (No → DOD/TATRC)
  - Video/Medical Device Output (Beginning)



RANGELEY  
REGION  
AMBULANCE