

EMS System QI Safety Event Reporting Process

Concept

- The program is designed to mirror the anonymous error reporting system in use by the airline industry
- It permits an individual to view and select from a list of common safety events (assists in identifying trends) that has the potential to adversely affect patient care.
- Reporting of safety events will be used for quality improvement.
- Reports will not be used for compliant investigations.
- Process is web based and anonymous.

Goals

The program is designed to:

- Allow anonymous reporting of EMS safety events observed (by a peer), committed (self reporting), or discovered in the course of service level quality improvement activities.
- Use web based data gathering to preclude identifying a specific incident or practitioners.
- Produce categorized data sets that will provide regional EMS councils and EMS Office with reports to assist in quality improvement activities and strategic planning.

Reporting An Event

- Requires a computer with internet access.
- Will be available no later than October 1, 2003.
- Use link at www.health.state.pa.us/ems.

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