

## **NAEMT NEAR MISS AND LINE OF DUTY DEATH ONLINE REPORTING TOOLS**

All of us who work within EMS know that very little data exists about most aspects of our profession. In an effort to address this shortfall, the National Association of EMTs (NAEMT) Health and Safety Committee has been working with the Center for Leadership, Innovation and Research in EMS on the development of an anonymous system for EMS practitioners to report near-miss and line of duty death incidents by answering a series of questions in an online format. The purpose of the system is to collect and aggregate data that will then be analyzed and used in the development of EMS policies and procedures, and for use in training, educating and preventing similar events from occurring in the future. No individual responses will be shared or transmitted to other parties.

NAEMT recently announced that its Near Miss and Line of Duty Death Online Reporting Tools are now live at [www.emseventreport.org](http://www.emseventreport.org). These tools, along with an already existing tool to report patient safety events, form the EMS Voluntary Event Notification Tool (E.V.E.N.T.).

The aggregated data collected will be provided to state EMS offices and the appropriate federal agencies with jurisdiction over EMS on a quarterly and annual basis. It is envisioned that primary end users of this data will be those responsible for the development of EMS policies at the state and federal levels.

NAEMT believes that the support of this online reporting tool by EMS organizations across our nation will be key to its successful use. All national and state EMS organizations have been invited to be an E.V.E.N.T. site partner and support use of this reporting tool.

The data collected from the E.V.E.N.T. site will contribute to saving lives in the future. NYSVA&RA encourages all EMS practitioners to utilize these reporting tools. Please e-mail [info@naemt.org](mailto:info@naemt.org) if you have any questions.