Description of program

AZ-PIERS is Arizona's **FREE** Web-based pre-hospital registry that gives EMS agencies an ability to generate and transmit electronic Patient Care Reports (ePCRs) on scene or in the hospital or station.

Benefits to EMS

- Free NEMSIS Compliant ePCR software.
- Report Writer (ImageTrend) to generate customized and/or standard reports.
- ePCR data for quality assurance (QA), training, tracking, grant writing, administrative reports, CEU tracking, and contracts.
- Any EMS agency with NEMSIS compliant ePCR software can also submit to AZ-PIERS.

Benefits to Hospital

- Hospitals have access to Dashboard in order to receive ePCRs transmitted by EMS crews in the field.
- Improved access to completed EMS runs reports.
- Base Hospitals will be able to use ePCR data for QA, training activities, and CEU tracking.
- Hospitals will be able to respond to grants for funding support.

Benefits to State

- Provide every agency with standard performance improvement reports.
- Respond to EMS and trauma system statutory committees queries.
- Develop reports to assist EMS regions, base hospitals and medical directors.
- Provide aggregate de-identified data to support funding justifications for programs internal and external to ADHS.

How to apply

Visit our website:
http://www.azdhs.gov/bems/data/PIERS.htm
and click on AZ-PIERS Application Packet or contact us!

DQA mission

To use and provide data in the communication of process improvement, best practices, and advances in patient care to all.
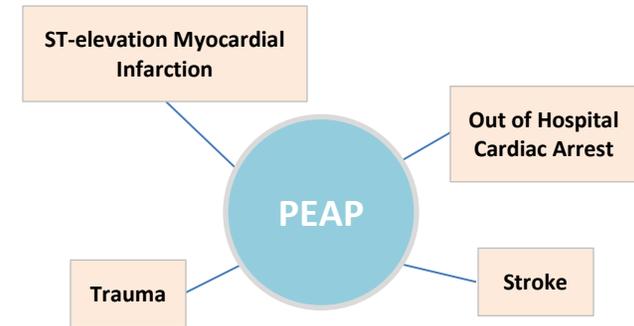
BEMSTS description and responsibilities

The Bureau is responsible for coordinating, establishing and administering a statewide system of emergency medical services, trauma care and a trauma registry.

We give a heartfelt thanks to all the providers who go above and beyond to provide the state with data every day!
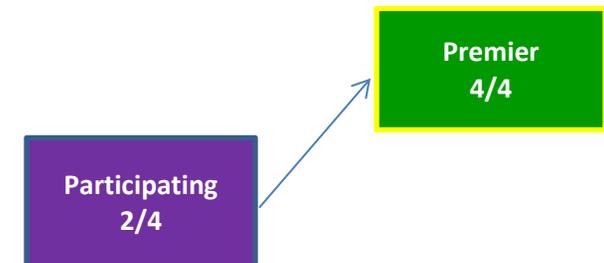
Please visit our website for an updated list of all the providers and their level of participation!

PEAP was created to measure outcomes for four crucial time sensitive illness and injuries.

This occurred through two categories in attaining
AZ-PIERS:

Participating and Premier

How to attain PREMIER status?

Premier status

- A premier EMS agency has submitted:
    1. A letter from the agency's leadership documenting a commitment to quality improvement initiatives,
    2. A description of the agency's quality assurance program,
    3. Demonstration of the agency's use of data in its performance improvement program, and
    4. Collection and submission of electronic medical records to AZ-PIERS
- Premier status is easy to achieve if you are already submitting data! Please contact us!

Participation status

- Open to all EMS agencies at **NO CHARGE**!
- Access to training for the service administrators and officers from the EMS agencies that will use the AZ-PIERS software.
- Ongoing AZ-PIERS orientation sessions for EMS agencies using third party software will be provided to instruct them how to submit ePCR data to AZ-PIERS through their respective software vendor.

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You can have data without information, but you cannot have information without data.

-Daniel Keys Moran

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