

Prehospital Emergency Care (PEC)

2007 saw the completion of Volume 11 of *Prehospital Emergency Care*. The volume had 500 pages. By mid-November 2007, *PEC* had 192 manuscripts submitted. This is more than last year's high mark of 186 for the entire year.

Some of the highlights for the volume included:

Special Contributions

- Paramedic RSI for traumatic brain injury
- Blast Injuries- International Perspectives
- Inter-Association Consensus on Management of Sudden Cardiac Arrest at Sporting Events
- Air medical services guidance document

Position Papers

- Alternative Airways
- Intraosseous Access
- NAEMSP® on ABDM
- NAEMSP® Position Statement on Stroke
- Joint Statement on Equipment for Ambulances

Focus Sections

- Focus on Endotracheal Intubation
- Focus on EMS Transport
- Focus on Cardiac Arrest

We have completed negotiations with Elsevier-Doyma, and *PEC* will be translated to Spanish and with an initial print run of 3,000 copies distributed in Spain. We have begun negotiations to translate and distribute *PEC* in South America.

Electronic files (PDFs) are now available going all the way back to Volume 1, Number 1, 1997. So all archived materials are now available online at the *PEC* website.

In 2007, the average subscription cost for quarterly society journals was \$188.34. So at an individual subscription price of \$115.00 *PEC* remains a real value.

NAEMSP® News

Under the direction of Cai Glushak, MD, NAEMSP®'s quarterly newsletter provides members with timely information and updates. In response to overwhelming member feedback, *NAEMSP® News* reverted to printed format and mailing to members. In 2008, the newsletter will be packaged with the *PEC* journal, when possible. The newsletter is also available in online format downloadable from our web site.

Improving Quality in EMS

Improving Quality in EMS, by editors Robert Swor, DO and Ronald Pirrallo, MD continues to be available from NAEMSP®. The 246 page, 12 chapter book is a must-have, follow-up to the first edition for anyone involved in EMS quality management. The book is available to NAEMSP® members from Kendall/Hunt publishing for \$29.95 at www.kendallhunt.com/naemsp

EMS and Disaster Medicine: Clinical Practice and Systems Oversight

The next edition of NAEMSP®'s textbook "Prehospital Systems & Medical Oversight" is currently being written. The new title for the text will highlight the substantial increase in clinical material, while maintaining the focus of the prior three editions on medical oversight. The text will consist of four separate volumes:

Volume 1: Clinical Aspects of Prehospital Medicine. Editors: Henry Wang, Brian Schwartz, Ritu Sahni, and Jon Krohmer. This volume will highlight the unique clinical body of knowledge that makes up EMS, with several updated chapters from the third edition of the text, plus a number of entirely new chapters on clinical topics such as head injury, stroke, infectious diseases, and domestic violence.

Volume 2: Medical Oversight of EMS. Editors: Bob Bass, Ted Delbridge, Mic Gunderson, and Jane Brice. This volume will contain updated material from many of the chapters in the third edition of *PSMO*, as well as a number of new chapters on topics such as provider wellness, ambulance safety and crashes, and education of the EMS physician.

Volume 3: Evaluating and Improving Quality in EMS. Editors: Bob Swor, Ron Pirrallo, Brooke Lerner, and Lynn White. This volume will include all of the material from the existing second edition of "Improving Quality in EMS" (edited by Swor and Pirrallo), updated material from the "Research in Prehospital Care" supplement to the April 2002 issue of *Prehospital Emergency Care* (edited by Lerner and White), and several new chapters focusing on the use of information technology in quality management.

Volume 4: Special Operations Medical Support. Editors: Bill Hauda, Craig DeAtley, Sandy Bogucki. This entirely new volume will contain material regarding the medical support needed for a variety of special operations fields, such as mass gatherings, urban search and rescue missions, and hazardous materials operations.

The complete four-volume set will be available in January 2009, and will serve as the textbook for the NAEMSP® National EMS Medical Directors Course & Practicum® starting at the January 2009 annual meeting in Jacksonville, Florida. A searchable CD-ROM with the complete text of all four volumes will be included with the set. Until this edition is published, copies of the third edition of "Prehospital Systems & Medical Oversight" and the second edition of "Improving Quality in EMS" remain available for purchase through the NAEMSP® web site.