EMS University

SPECIAL Call for Presenters

NEW Wildland Fire EMS & Austere Medicine Track

EMS University is one of the largest EMS conferences in the region, bringing together Emergency Medical Technicians, Paramedics, Firefighters, and industry safety personnel from northeast Wyoming and beyond. We are dedicated to delivering an exceptional conference experience for approximately 300 attendees seeking practical education, emerging knowledge, and advancements in prehospital emergency medical care.

For **EMS University 2027**, we are excited to introduce a dedicated **Wildland Fire EMS & Austere Medicine Track** focused on the unique role of Emergency Medical Services in wildland fire operations. Whether you are a fireline EMS provider, Medical Unit Leader, wildland firefighter, rescue professional, medical director, researcher, or other subject-matter expert, this is an opportunity to share your experience, strengthen preparedness, and advance the practice of EMS in the wildland environment.

Do you have a topic or presentation that would contribute to the **Wildland Fire EMS and Austere Medicine Track** at the 2027 EMS **University Conference, April 22, 23, and 24, 2027**? If so, we want to hear from you. We invite submissions for engaging, high-quality educational sessions addressing the operational, medical, rescue, and leadership challenges associated with providing emergency medical care during wildland fire incidents.

Areas of particular interest include:

- **Wildland Fire Operations for EMS** — incident organization, fireline terminology, operational hazards, communications, situational awareness, responder safety, and the role of EMS within the wildland environment.
- **Fireline EMS and Incident Medical Operations** — Medical Unit operations, Medical Unit Leader responsibilities, EMT/AEMT/Paramedic-Fireline roles, medical planning, resource placement, and coordination with local EMS and healthcare systems.
- **Wildland and Austere Medicine** — heat illness, dehydration, rhabdomyolysis, smoke and carbon monoxide exposure, burns, trauma, cardiac events, fatigue, prolonged patient care, and limited-resource medicine.
- **Medical Emergencies on the Fireline** — Medical Incident Report processes, incident-within-an-incident management, communications, resource requests, evacuation planning, and ground or air transport considerations.
- **Rapid Extraction Module Support (REMS)** — patient access, treatment, packaging, difficult-terrain evacuation, technical rescue, and integration between rescue and medical resources.
- **Patient Evacuation and Transport** — remote access, delayed transport, helicopter operations, air medical coordination, transfer of care, rural hospital considerations, and definitive care planning
- **Wildland Firefighter Health and Performance** — occupational health, physiologic stress, heat exposure, hydration, recovery, injury prevention, and responder wellbeing.
- **Case Reviews and Lessons from the Fireline** — significant incidents, medical emergencies, near misses, difficult evacuations, REMS activations, interagency coordination, lessons learned, and innovations in wildland medical operations.

- **Hands-On and Interactive Sessions** — scenario-based education, equipment demonstrations, patient packaging, evacuation exercises, medical incident simulations, and multidisciplinary training.
- **Preparation for Wildland EMS Assignments** — professional development, operational expectations, qualifications, readiness, equipment, and pathways for EMS professionals interested in fireline medical roles.

Preference will be given to presenters with **direct operational experience, demonstrated subject-matter expertise, or research specific to wildland fire, austere medicine, rescue, or incident medical operations**.

Event Details

Conference Dates: April 22, 23, and 24, 2027
Location: CamPlex Energy Hall, Gillette, Wyoming

Submission Requirements

Send your submission to **emsu@cchwyo.org**. Incomplete submissions will not be considered.

Presenter Information

- Name
- Contact Information
- Professional Headshot
- Resume/CV
- Speaker Biography
- Relevant wildland, EMS, rescue, medical, or incident-management experience
- Travel/Lodging Reimbursement Request
- Honorarium Request

Presentation Information

- **Presentation Title**
- **Brief Presentation Description:** Limit to 300 words; this description may be used in the conference app and promotional materials.
- **Detailed Presentation Description:** No more than 1,500 characters.
- **Target Audience:** ALS, BLS, Both, or Other

Wildland Fire EMS Curriculum Area:

- Wildland Fire Operations for EMS
- Fireline EMS/Incident Medical Operations
- Wildland or Austere Medicine
- Fireline Medical Emergency Management
- REMS/Technical Extraction
- Evacuation and Transport
- Wildland Firefighter Health and Performance
- Case Review/Lessons Learned
- Skills/Hands-On Session
- Other Wildland EMS Specialty Topic

Presentation Format:

Lecture, Case Review, Interactive Session, Panel, Skills/Hands-On Session, Demonstration, or Other

Time Required to Deliver Presentation:

Standard educational sessions should generally be designed for **45–50 minutes**. However, proposals requiring additional time for hands-on activities, demonstrations, or specialty programming are encouraged.

Learning Objectives:

Two or more measurable objectives per presentation. Bloom's Taxonomy terminology is preferred. Objectives should describe intended learner outcomes, knowledge, skills, or changes in practice.

Please identify any **special equipment, outdoor space, safety requirements, or operational resources** needed for demonstrations or hands-on sessions.

AV Information

EMS University will provide a computer, slide advancer, projector, screen, computer audio, and microphone. Additional audiovisual, equipment, space, or demonstration requests will be reviewed by the EMSU Committee.

Ethical Standards

Presenters are not permitted to use their educational platform to market, endorse, or promote products or services. Presentations should reflect current professional standards and clearly distinguish evidence-based guidance, recognized operational practices, and individual agency practices or experiences.

Important Scope

The Wildland Fire EMS Track is intended to provide professional continuing education and exposure to wildland medical operations.

Participation in EMS University does **not** replace formal agency training, National Wildfire Coordinating Group requirements, position-specific qualifications, position task books, physical fitness requirements, or other credentialing necessary to function in a qualified wildland fire position.

Submission Deadline: November 30, 2026

Submissions will be evaluated based on practical application of the material, relevance to EMS and wildland response in the region, presenter expertise and operational experience, timeliness or innovation of the topic, clearly identified learning objectives, overall quality and focus, presentation format, and conference programming needs.

Notification of Selection: December 31, 2026

Presenter Agreements: Signed no later than **January 15, 2027**.

Participation as a presenter is contingent upon receipt of the signed Presenter Agreement. Presenters who return agreements after the established deadline may not be included in conference marketing materials or the conference program.

Please contact **emsu@cchwyo.org** with questions or concerns.