The following motion was reviewed and approved by the AEMS Executive Committee in emergency fashion, in lieu of AEMS Board of Governors' approval, and in consideration of the declared declared State and National emergencies due to the global COVID-19 pandemic AND recent CMS decree:

**Motion:** “In view of the declared State and National emergencies due to the global COVID-19 pandemic, and in consideration of the recent CMS decree “expanding the list of allowable destinations for ambulance transports” to include Urgent Care Centers as well as other sources of community-based health care, the AEMS Executive Committee, in emergency fashion and in lieu of Board of Governors action, **does hereby temporarily suspend Categorization of Emergency Receiving Facilities.** It is accepted that agency and health care institution medical directors, in collaboration, will for their catchment areas designate appropriate circumstances and patient presentations that could be directed to alternative sites other than already Categorized ERF’s for medical care. This ideally would be during times that traditional receiving facilities may need all their resources to safely provide patient care to the emergency patients already within their facilities, and to take on less critical patients that could go elsewhere would needlessly tie up limited resources and otherwise jeopardize the EMS safety net. **It is understood this action will be evaluated at each meeting of the AEMS Functional Group and the Board Of Governors and will end upon the termination of the AZ State declared emergency.”