



## Functional Group Meeting

January 21, 2026 (Wed)

10:00 am - 12:30 pm

ZOOM

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### I. EDUCATION

10:00 am - Lunch N Learn

**Cartels, Drug Trafficking, and Violence: Implications for EMS**

**Ken St. Clair**

Strategic Intelligence Analyst

Arizona High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA)

11:00 am - Topical Focus

**EMS Regional Operations  
Consistency Committee (ROCC)**

**Cori Hayes**

Assistant Fire Chief

Mesa Fire and Medical Department

### II. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS 11:15 am

#### A. General Report Ryan Southworth, DO

1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
2. AEMS Announcements
  - a. Annual Renewal of Functional Group Voting/Guest Member Status MUST RENEW by end of today.  
<https://aems1975.wufoo.com/forms/w1edlcm8095349a/>
  - b. 2026 Membership Dues  
Organizational - <https://aems.org/membership/renew>  
Individual - <https://aems.org/donate>
3. Old Business
4. New Business
5. State Report

#### B. Planning & Outreach Report

1. Education
  - a. Pediatric Simulation Training - Spring 2026
  - b. EMS Odyssey Conference - June 11, 2026
  - b. EMS CE Fall Forum - December 10, 2026
2. Outreach
  - a. IMPORTANT UPDATES NEEDED:  
Agency/Hospital/Fire Contacts

#### C. Patient Management Report Ryan Southworth, DO, Chair

1. Categorization – Marty Murphy **STATUS**  
<https://aems.org/images/pdf/categorization/categorization-status-report-current.pdf>
2. RED Book – Ryan Southworth, MD
  - a. Central AZ Regional EMS Guidelines - Franco Castro-Marin, MD
3. Phoenix Stroke Center Coalition - Garth Gemar, MD
4. Pediatric - Mickey Kovach, RN
5. Other Reports

#### D. Adjournment

#### NEXT MEETINGS:

**AEMS Functional Group - March 18, 2026**

**AEMS Board of Governors - February 18, 2026**

Functional Group 2025 Voting Members	Planning & Patient Management	Planning Only
	Michelle Angle Kevin Bailey Garth Gemar, MD Martin Murphy Sandy Nygaard Roy Ryals	Dawn Polkabila Olivia Brothers, RN Kim Reger, RN
	Barbara Schaffer, RN Ryan Southworth, DO	Patient Management Only Shari Brand, MD Mickey Kovach, RN

#### You Must Register to Participate

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You may join the meeting via computer or smart phone.

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