

# National Rural EMS & Care Conference

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## Welcome to Arizona !

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# Introduction



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- ❑ About Arizona
- ❑ Arizona Center for Rural Health (AzCRH)
- ❑ Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS)
  - Bureau of EMS & Trauma System (BEMSTS)
- ❑ ADHS BEMSTS-AzCRH Collaboration



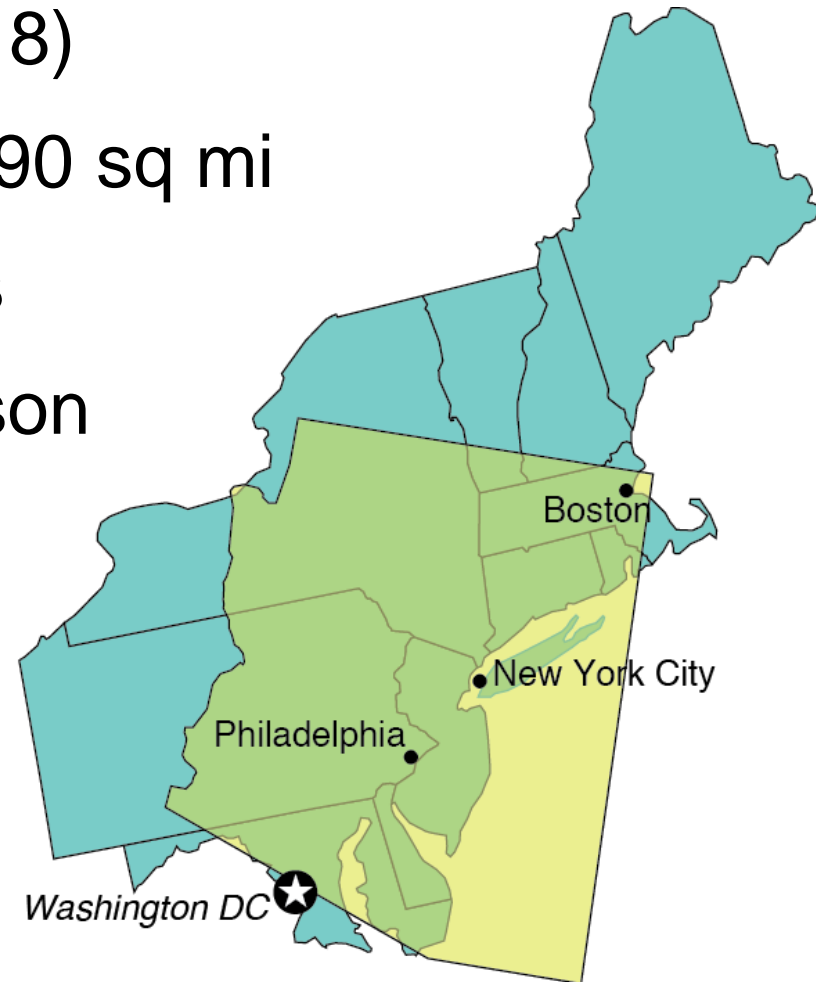
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# Arizona Profile



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- ❑ Population 7.12 Million (2018)
- ❑ 15 Counties covering 113,990 sq mi
- ❑ 22 Sovereign Tribal Nations
- ❑ 75% Pop in Phoenix & Tucson



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# Arizona EMS Regional Councils

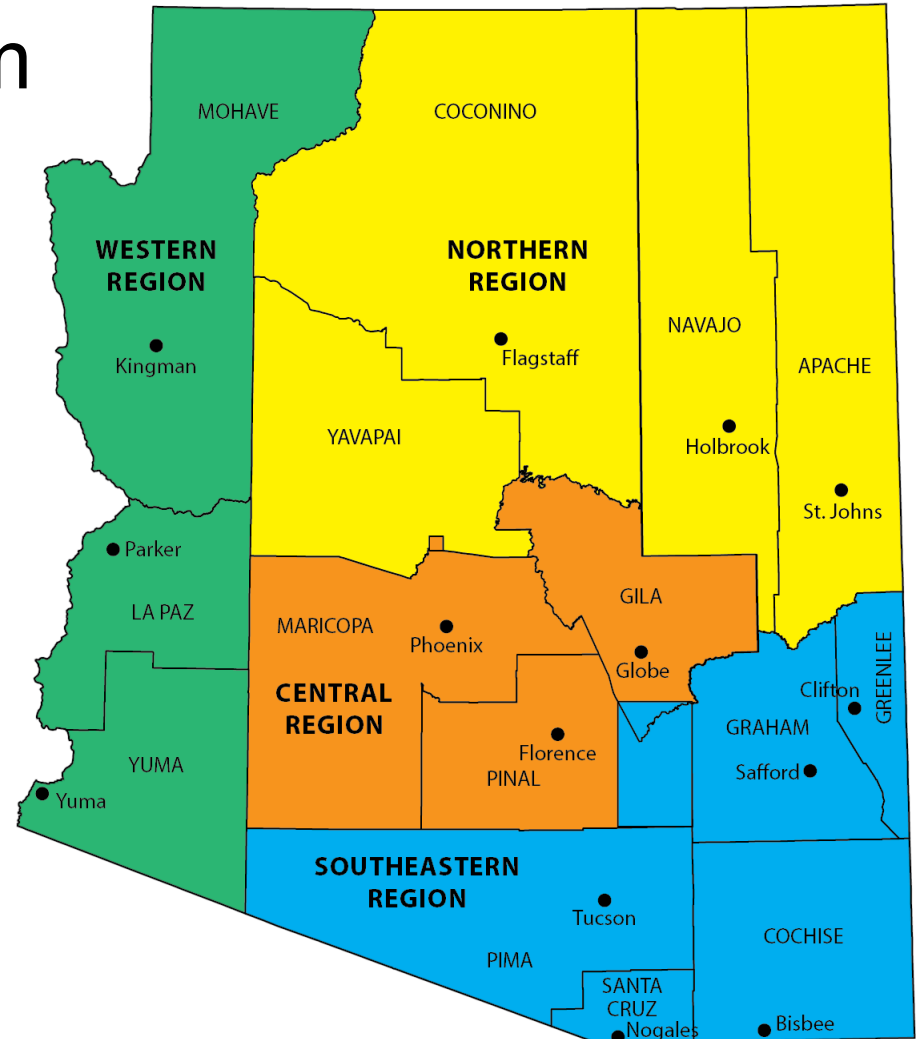


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Arizona's EMS system has four regions:

- Western
- Northern
- Central
- Southeastern

ARIZONA EMS REGIONS

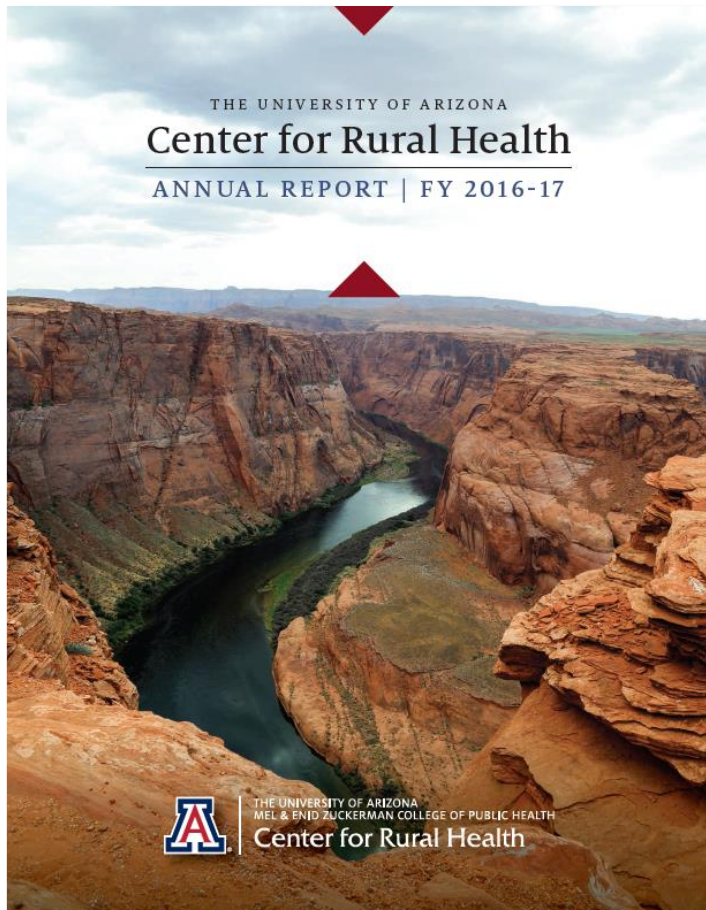


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# Arizona Center for Rural Health



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The AzCRH Mission is to improve the health & wellness of rural and vulnerable populations.

<http://crh.arizona.edu>



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# AzCRH Programs



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- State Office of Rural Health
- Rural Hospital Flexibility Program
- Small Rural Hospital Improvement Program
- AzCRH Navigator Consortium
- W. Region Public Health Training Center
- AZ Prescription Drug Misuse/Abuse Initiative
- SAMHSA – ADHS/AzCRH First Responders



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# Arizona Bureau of EMS & Trauma System



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Regulatory Section	Services Section
EMCT Certification	Statutory Committee Management
Ambulance Certificate of Necessity	Annual Reports
EMS Training Program	EMS & Trauma Registries
EMS Base Hospitals	Quality Improvement Analysis & Reporting
Vehicle Licensure	Recognition Program
Investigations	SHARE, Premier EMS, EPIC, Med Directors, PHELE, Treat and Refer



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# BEMSTS Initiatives



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- Linking EMS Registry & Health Information Exchange (Health Current)
- Linking EMS & Trauma Registry
- Opioid Training & Reporting
- Offering a Treat & Refer Program
- Addressing Medication Shortages
- Collecting and Reporting Data



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# AzCRH- BEMSTS Joint Initiatives



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- Assist with rural hospital trauma center designation
- Manage trauma program manager workgroup, listserve
- Support rural trauma team development courses
- Conduct, report *2017 Arizona EMS Needs Assessment*
- Implement the DHHS/SAMHSA First Responders – Comprehensive Addiction & Recovery Act Cooperative Agreement (FR-CARA) between ADHS and AzCRH



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# **SAMHSA FR-CARA ADHS-BEMSTS AzCRH**



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**Funding Agency: US Dept Health & Human Services  
(DHHS)  
Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services  
Administration  
(SAMHSA)**

**Total Award:  
\$3.1 million/4yrs**

**Reach: Statewide**



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# FR-CARA Project Scope



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- ❑ Train EMS, law enforcement (first responders) on Opioid Overdose Recognition and Treatment
- ❑ Provide Naloxone to first responders
- ❑ Teach first responders **SBIRT**: Screening, Brief Intervention & Referral to Treatment



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# Arizona Partners and Roles



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- ❑ **Lead:** ADHS Bureau of EMS & Trauma System
- ❑ **First Responder Training:** Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board (AZPOST)
- ❑ **Implementation:** Arizona Center for Rural Health (AzCRH), UA Emergency Medicine Research Center, Critical Access Hospitals
- ❑ **Evaluation:** UA Center for Population Science & Discovery

<https://crh.arizona.edu/samhsa-first-responders-initiative>



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# Enjoy Arizona!



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