



May 20, 2026

Dear State Data Manager,

We strongly encourage your participation in the 2026 NEMSIS Annual Meeting, as your voice, expertise, and engagement are critical to shaping the future of the NEMSIS standard. This year's meeting will also commemorate **25 Years of NEMSIS: A Legacy of Data, A Future of Care**, recognizing the program's impact on advancing EMS data and improving patient care nationwide. The meeting will be held October 6 - 9, 2026, in Heber City, Utah.

We intentionally designed this meeting as an **in-person-only event** to create an interactive format based on feedback from state partners and software vendors. State Data Manager participation is essential to the success of the NEMSIS Annual Meeting, as the meeting is designed to facilitate real-time collaboration, problem-solving, and consensus-building among EMS data leaders, software vendors, and national partners. The format allows participants to engage directly in discussions that will influence the future direction of the EMS data standard, implementation strategies, and national data quality initiatives. Because the meeting centers on collaborative small group working sessions rather than traditional presentations, remote participation cannot effectively replicate the level of engagement, dialogue, and decision-making necessary to achieve meaningful outcomes. **In-person attendance ensures that each state has a voice in shaping national priorities, addressing operational challenges, and advancing solutions that directly impact EMS data collection, interoperability, and patient care nationwide.**

Meeting Overview:

- **Monday, October 5, 2026:** Travel Day and Welcome
- **Tuesday, October 6, 2026:** General Session - Orientation & Identify Key Challenges
- **Wednesday, October 7, 2026:** General Session – Define What's Possible
- **Thursday, October 8, 2026:** General Session – Small Groups Develop & Test Solutions
- **Friday, October 9, 2026:** General Session - Confirm Next Steps & Commitments, Meeting Wrap-Up

Meeting Objectives:

1. **Identify Key Challenges**
Draw on the experience of EMS professionals and stakeholders to surface and define the most critical challenges impacting EMS data and patient care.
2. **Understand System Realities and Constraints**
Develop a grounded understanding of how the EMS data ecosystem functions today and translate that into practical guardrails for feasible solutions.
3. **Design and Test Actionable Solutions**
Collaborate in focused working groups to develop, pressure-test, and refine solution approaches that are realistic and implementable.
4. **Align on Priorities, Ownership, and Next Steps**
Work together to determine which actions to move forward, identify who will carry them out, and define immediate next steps to ensure continued progress beyond the meeting.

The [NEMSIS Annual Meeting registration](#) fee is \$600, which includes meeting sessions, meals except dinner, and a group team-building activity fee. A limited number of scholarships are available for state EMS managers. Applications will be accessible in late May, and notifications will be sent in June. Information regarding the hotel is listed below.

We would love to see you in attendance.

Sincerely,

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Summary of Hotel Logistics:

Hotel: Black Rock Mountain Resort, 909 West Peace Tree Trail, Heber City, Utah 84032

Phone: (435) 575-1700

Room Rates: Standard room: \$193, includes the resort fee

Use this link to make your hotel reservation: [NEMSIS 2026 Resort Reservations.](#)

Discounted hotel rates for the NEMSIS 2026 Meeting are available:

Sunday, October 4, 2026 - Sunday, October 11, 2026

To extend the pre and post annual meeting contracted dates, guests need to send an email to:

groupreservations@blackrockmountainresort.com

Last Day to Book Hotel: September 4, 2026.