

BECAUSE TIME MATTERS.



2016 Mission: Lifeline® EMS Recognition Criteria and Measures

Mission: Lifeline® EMS will accept applications from January 1, 2016 – March 31, 2016 based on self-reported quarterly summary data for the 2015 calendar year. The listed achievement measures will be used to determine recognition eligibility. Any issued award will be in effect from May 31, 2016 - May 30, 2017.

Achievement CRITERIA:

- Each measure must achieve at least 75% compliance for the year per award level to be eligible for recognized status.
- The 2016 award period includes patients treated from January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015.
- Patient volume requirements pertain to achievement measures #2 and/or #3 below*. It is assumed when volume requirements are met for measure #2 and/or #3, volume requirements will also be met for measure #1.
- Data is to be submitted in quarterly intervals as stated below:
 - Quarter 1 – January, February, March
 - Quarter 2 – April, May, June
 - Quarter 3 – July, August, September
 - Quarter 4 – October, November, December

Achievement MEASURES:

1. Percentage of patients with non-traumatic chest pain \geq 35 years, **treated and transported** by EMS who received a **pre-hospital 12-lead electrocardiogram**
2. Percentage of STEMI patients **treated and transported directly** to a STEMI receiving center, with **pre-hospital first medical contact to device time** \leq 90 minutes
3. Percentage of lytic eligible STEMI patients **treated and transported** to a STEMI referring hospital for fibrinolytic therapy with a **door-to-needle time** \leq 30 minutes

- Agencies that transport to both PCI capable and Non-PCI capable hospitals will report measures #1, 2, and 3.
- Agencies that only transport to PCI capable hospitals will report measures #1 and #2.
- Agencies that only transport to non-PCI capable hospitals will report measures #1 and #3.

NEW - Reporting Measures:

- What percentage of your 12 lead ECGs are performed on patients with non-traumatic chest pain \geq 35 years, within 10 minutes of First Medical Contact (FMC)?
- Within what timeframe are 75% of hospital notifications performed after 1st positive 12 lead ECG? (75% fractile)
Example: 75% of hospital notifications are performed within **xxx minutes** of 1st positive 12 lead ECG.
- Percentage of under-call and percentage of over-call activations**

*Submission of reporting measures data is **OPTIONAL**. Submitting reporting measure data is not required to achieve recognition nor will any reporting measure data be considered when determining eligibility for recognition. Because some reporting measures may become required achievement measures in the future program years, agencies may wish to begin developing their collection processes for them sooner than later.

** More information on the specific definitions of these measures will be released soon.

Award LEVELS and VOLUME Requirements:

- **BRONZE:** A minimum of 75% compliance for each required measure.
 - **Volume:** at least 2 STEMI patients per reporting quarter with at least 4 STEMI patients in the 2015 calendar year.
- **SILVER:** Aggregated annual score achieving a minimum of 75% compliance for each required measure.
 - **Volume:** at least 8 STEMI patients in the 2015 calendar year.
- **GOLD:** 2 consecutive calendar years achieving a Silver award
 - **Volume** at least 8 STEMI patients in the 2015 calendar year. + must have achieved Silver award in previous year.