Emergency Medical Services in NYS

Date: Tuesday, August 27, 2024    Time: 10:00 AM—11:00 AM
Speaker: Dr. Brenda Morrissey, Secretary, NY State Volunteer Ambulance and Rescue Association

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Session Overview

EMS and Ambulance Service are vital to maintaining the health of all New Yorkers especially elderly. In New York State, emergency medical services (EMS) are provided by an assortment of public & private entities. Nationally older persons account for 45.9% of patients using 911.

It is important for the aging and disability networks to learn about the EMS system to assist persons needing care in accessing these important services. A report issued by the State Comptroller in March 2024 noted that EMS services face many staffing and funding challenges that should be addressed.

In this session you will learn about:

- How to access and pay for EMS services at the local level.
- How EMS staff volunteers are trained.
- How EMS services are funded.
- Challenges to providing EMS services in NYS.
- Policy proposals to strengthen EMS services.
- Community Paramedicine Programs.

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- Materials from Teach Ins are posted on our website [www.nysenior.org](http://www.nysenior.org)
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  1. On the navigation bar, click on **Our Helplines**
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