Below is an update from the Prehospital Guidelines Consortium (PGC), of which ENA is a member organization. The Consortium’s mission aims to engage EMS stakeholder organizations, institutions, agencies, and leaders in a sustainable process that promotes the development, implementation, and evaluation of evidence-based guidelines for prehospital care. The Consortium was formed with the input of 57 stakeholder organizations in fulfillment of the National Prehospital EBG Strategy.

In 2019, the Consortium accomplished multiple projects of benefit to the EMS community:

- **Updated online repository of existing prehospital EBGs** for easy reference by the EMS community (available at [www.prehospitalguidelines.org/ebgs](http://www.prehospitalguidelines.org/ebgs))
- **Educational module for EMS educators** on implementation of new evidence-based guidelines in EMS systems (available freely at [www.prehospitalguidelines.org/ebg-resources](http://www.prehospitalguidelines.org/ebg-resources))
- **What should you know about evidence-based guidelines?** A publication for EMS personnel (March et al. *EMS World* 2019 Oct 1).
- **Updated links to additional EBG-related resources** available to the EMS community (available at [www.prehospitalguidelines.org/ebg-resources](http://www.prehospitalguidelines.org/ebg-resources))
- **Piloted a review, scoring, and dissemination plan** for newly created EBGs through the Consortium’s member organizations using the Naloxone EBG from NASEMSO, ACEP, and NAEMSP
- **Completed a systematic review and grading of existing prehospital EBGs** using the AGREE II tool to assess the strength of evidence evaluation and determine if guidelines meet the Institute of Medicine criteria for clinical guidelines “we can trust” (*undergoing peer review for publication*).

Projects in progress for 2020, include:

- **Gap Analysis of Evidence-Based Guidelines for Prehospital Care Using a Delphi Approach** identifying topic areas most in need of new or revised EBGs through robust stakeholder input
- **Collaboration with the National EMS Quality Alliance** to facilitate creation of performance measures related to high-scoring EMS evidence-based guidelines
- **Developing a process for ongoing review, scoring, and dissemination of new EMS EBGs and related EMS research** in collaboration with the National Registry of EMTs
- **Revision of the NASEMSO statewide implementation toolkit** for evidence-based guidelines with a national perspective and applicable to any new guideline

For more information about the Prehospital Guidelines Consortium and multiple EBG-related resources, go to: [www.prehospitalguidelines.org](http://www.prehospitalguidelines.org)

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