



CASE STUDY

Working Collaboratively to Advance Resuscitation

New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont work together to increase survival rates in New England

THE CHALLENGE:

New Hampshire, Maine, and Vermont not only share borders, but also share similar challenges with resuscitation. Limited resources and rural settings often inhibited each state from developing effective strategies to improve SCA care and survival rates.

THE RESPONSE:

With the support of HeartRescue, medical leaders across the states advanced a tri-state strategy to efficiently share best practices and improve emergency care across the region. The partnership enables better access to training, medical expertise, resources and the ability to implement and evaluate programs on a larger scale.

Funding from HeartRescue helped to organize and promote Resuscitation Academies across the region as well as fund the purchase of new equipment for dispatch and EMS groups to utilize for training purposes.

The collective group combined their efforts to develop statewide registries and core programs to increase early CPR and improve EMS performance, particularly in rural areas served by volunteer responders and critical access hospitals.



The trainings proved lifesaving almost immediately, as a small ambulance company in Vermont used their enhanced skills and resources to save the life of a local police chief. This example has served as an inspirational case study at national conferences to highlight how knowledge, expertise and implementation can be adapted and achieved in small towns and rural communities to improve resuscitation efforts.

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