

Project Information Form

Project Title	Optimizing EMS Through The Use Of Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Technologies
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Start and End Dates	10/4/2012-4/4/2014
Brief Description of Research Project	<p>This project will investigate needs and opportunities associated with the use of ITS as a tool for improving healthcare delivery practices during routine as well as emergency operations. More specifically the study will examine in depth ITS technologies and transportation management strategies to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Optimize deployment of healthcare resources through positioning of first responders within the transportation grid and implementation of urgency algorithms to facilitate Computer-Aided Dispatching (CAD) of ambulancesb. Mitigate non-recurrent incident induced congestion and its impacts on EMS responders and the general public. Use of active traffic management strategies (such as temporary shoulder lanes) and traffic signal preemption to allow quick access of first responders to the emergency site and/or the treatment facility will be also considered, andc. Optimize the use of healthcare resources to improve surge capacity under routine operations as well as in case of manmade, natural, of public health disasters.

Describe Implementation of Research Outcomes (or why not implemented) (Attach Any Photos)	In progress
Impacts/Benefits of Implementation (actual, not anticipated)	In progress
Web Links <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reports• Project website	NA