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Steve has 30 years of experience as an EMT, paramedic, flight paramedic, EMS instructor, fire officer, and EMS administrator. He is currently one of the three members of the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services (CAAS), the national ambulance service accrediting body.

Steve is a frequently sought-after speaker at regional, state and national conferences on a variety of EMS, fire service and public safety subjects. He has authored numerous articles on a variety of EMS management, risk management, corporate compliance and workplace law topics. He is a contributing writer for the *Journal of Emergency Medical Services (JEMS)* and *The EMS Insider*. Steve co-authored the highly acclaimed *Ambulance Service Guide to HIPAA Compliance* (now in its third edition); *The Ambulance Service HIPAA Privacy and Security Video*; *Better Billing: The Ambulance Service Model Compliance Plan*; and *The Ambulance Service Model Personnel Handbook* -- all produced by PWW.

Steve graduated *cum laude* from Duquesne University School of Law and was a member of the school's national trial advocacy competition team. In addition to his law degree, Steve has a Masters Degree in Health Services Administration from Gannon University in Erie, Penn. He remains in touch with patient care and field provider issues as an active EMT and nationally certified firefighter with the Hampden Township Volunteer Fire Company, where he serves as the medical officer.

Steve is also a life member of the Nippenose Valley Vol. Fire Co. near Jersey Shore, Penn., where he started his public safety career as a junior firefighter and later served as Lieutenant and then Deputy Fire Chief. He also serves on the Executive Boards of the Pennsylvania Fire and Emergency Services Institute, and the Initial Life Support Foundation (formerly known as the AED Instructor Foundation).

2008 Ambulance Billing and Reimbursement Conference

February 25 & 26, 2008

Radisson Hotel Gateway Sea-Tac Airport
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**Ambulance Managers & Owners,
Billing Staff, Fire Chiefs/EMS Chiefs,
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Cost includes continental breakfast and lunch both days

WAA Members: \$175

Non-Members: \$225

After January 31, 2008 add \$50

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Seattle-Tacoma Airport
18118 International Boulevard
Seattle, WA 98188
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www.radisson.com

Group Room Rate: \$109/night
Rooms are limited so be sure to reserve early!

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Register online at:
www.waambulanceassociation.org

Documentation and Reimbursement:

Take a specific look at issues surrounding EMS documentation from both the reimbursement and compliance perspectives, explaining how documentation can "make or break" timely and accurate reimbursement and facilitate or undermine compliance efforts. It will show the link between documentation and medical necessity, the importance of documenting dispatch info and its effect on reimbursement, documenting the specific reasons for transport, obtaining signatures and insurance info.

Reimbursement Update:

Latest info and current developments in Medicare and other reimbursement topics.

Swimming with the Sharks: How to Get Your Money When the Patient's Got a Lawyer:

The "joys" of dealing with patients and others when a lawyer is involved in the case.

How to Prepare For and Win Reimbursement Appeals:

Take a closer look at how to effectively pursue your money through the appeals and grievance process. Tips on how to assemble your case for appeal.

Coding Clinic:

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