This project was started to train practicing paramedics and EMTs on how to appropriately provide death notifications in the field.

**Needs Assessment**

We surveyed crews around Lake County, Florida and found that an overwhelming majority had never had any formal training on death notification in the pre-hospital setting.

**Goals and Objectives**

Better train paramedics and EMTs in the act of death notifications
- Learners will be able to relate information in an empathetic manner.
- Learners will be able to organize a death notification message using the tools provided in this course.
- Learners will be able to deliver the news that a loved one has died in a simulation environment.

**Educational Strategies**

- Classroom
  - Lecture with examples and handouts
  - Record presentation and deliver with handout
  - Scenario-based education
- Have actors play part of both recipient(s) and family. Allow students to deliver news in a simulated environment with different family reactions

**Implementation**

Implementation in Lake County will be done through video-based training on Target Solutions (LMS). Best practices can be relayed during this time as well as few commonly seen scenarios.

**Evaluation**

- Initial evaluation will be a terminology/best practices exam.
- Evaluation of effectiveness will be based on pre and post training questionnaires regarding provider confidence in delivering news. Repeat evaluations at 6 and 12 months could determine if training was effective over long term.