



## **Inherent Risks to Providers of Emergency Medical Services**

Provision of emergency medical services poses inherent occupational risks for EMS responders. Risks include the following.

- Violence/assaults
- Verbal threats/aggression
- Motor vehicle crashes
- Infectious disease
- Lifting injuries
- Sprains and strains
- Psychological trauma
- Hazardous chemical exposure
- Hyper/hypothermia