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Scott Kasper is chief and executive director of Albuquerque Ambulance Service (AAS). AAS is a CAAS-accredited 911 and inter-facility emergency medical and transportation service based in Albuquerque, New Mexico, that responds to more than 125,000 calls each year in the Albuquerque metro area.

Kasper has more than 30 years of healthcare and emergency medicine experience. Prior to joining AAS, he spent 14 years with Virtua Health Systems, one of New Jersey's largest non-profit health systems, as the assistant vice president of Emergency Services. While in New Jersey, Kasper also served as president of the New Jersey Association of Paramedic Programs, and chairman of the New Jersey EMS Council. He also spent many years with UMass Memorial Health Care – Worcester EMS, Metropolitan Boston Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc. and Cataldo Ambulance Service, Inc.

An important part of Kasper's career is personal and professional development. After completing his Six Sigma Green Belt certification in 2004, he became a Six Sigma operations improvement coach and positive change agent in both clinical and business settings. He is also a contributing author to the Six Sigma publication, *When Project Termination is Just the Beginning*.

In addition to his professional EMS career, Kasper has been dedicated to his volunteer work with JDRF (formerly known as the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation). He was the President of the South Jersey Chapter Board, and is an active member of the JDRF National Speaker's Bureau. Since 2011, he has worked on a national level with their Ride to Cure program, combining his love of cycling with his desire to find a cure for Type 1 Diabetes. He is a USA Cycling certified Coach, and has most recently become the Ride to Cure Coach here in Albuquerque and Santa Fe for the JDRF New Mexico Chapter.

Kasper holds a master's degree in civil engineering and environmental public health, as well as a bachelor's degree in biology and environmental studies, both from Tufts University in Massachusetts.