### **DOCUMENTING FIREWORKS-RELATED INCIDENTS IN NFIRS**

#### **BASIC MODULE**

- Fires that occur as a result of fireworks should use incident type codes in the **100 series (Fire).**
- For an explosion due to fireworks, but with no resulting fire, use code **243 Fireworks explosion** (no fire).
- For Injuries that occur as a result of fireworks, use appropriate incident types in the 300 series, such as 311 Medical Assist, assist EMS Crew or 321 EMS Call, excluding vehicle accident w/ injury.
- Add the following information to the **Remarks/Narrative** field:
  - o Document whether fireworks were confirmed or suspected
  - o Document if the device was state legal, federally legal, illegal/explosive, or unknown
  - Document the specific type of fireworks involved (if known)

# **FIRE MODULE**

- The Fire Module is always required for Incident Types: 110 112, 120 138, and 161 164.
- This module is optional (but recommended) for incident types: 113 118.
- If the **Wildland Module** is not completed *in place of* the Fire Module, then the Fire Module <u>must</u> be completed for incident types: **140 143, 160,** and **170 173**.
- Heat Source should be in the 50-series codes, which includes 54 Fireworks and 50 –
  Explosive, fireworks, other. This further defines the incident as a fireworks-related fire.

# **CIVILIAN FIRE CASUALTY MODULE**

• Per NFIRS reporting rules, this module should be completed by the AHJ on an incident if a civilian casualty results from a fire. (One module per civilian fire casualty.)

## **FIRE SERVICE CASUALTY MODULE**

• Per NFIRS reporting rules, this module should completed when an injury, death, *or* exposure to your own Fire Service Personnel occurs as a result of an incident. One module should be completed for each person if there are multiple injuries, deaths, or exposures.

#### **WILDLAND MODULE**

- If the Fire Module is not used in place of the Wildland Module, then the Wildland Fire Module must be completed for incident types: **140 143, 160,** and **170-173.**
- Heat Source should be in the 50-series codes, which includes 54 Fireworks and 50 Explosive, fireworks, other. This further defines the incident as a fireworks-related fire.

### **EMS MODULE**

- For EMS calls (300-series code), complete one EMS module for each patient involved. Complete the following fields:
  - o Date/Time
  - o Provider Impression/Assessment
  - Age of Patient
  - o Gender of Patient
  - Human Factors (if applicable)
  - o Body Site & Injury Type (up to 5)
  - Cause of Illness/Injury 21 Explosives (excludes fireworks) or 25 Fireworks, whichever is most applicable.

#### **ARSON MODULE**

- The Arson Module is only allowed for Incident types: **100 173**, with the *"Fire Cause"* field code in the Fire Module being either *"1 Intentional"*, *"5 Cause under Investigation."*
- If the optional Wildland Module was used in place of the Fire Module, the *Wildland Fire Cause* must be coded as "7 Incendiary."
- In *Section H Incendiary Devices*, check the box for **16 Pyrotechnic material** or **17 Explosive material**, whichever is most applicable.