

FY23 EMS

Throughout FY23 the FCAM EMS Committee has been meeting quarterly. Collectively we have discussed the following topics:

DPH/OEMS Protocol rollouts, announcements, and priorities:

- Nero's Law, K9 EMS response(delayed implementation)
This was delayed due the inconsistency and availability of approved training. The new implementation deadline is February 10th, 2024.
- NFPA 3000 ASHER MCI preliminary response training (deadline for initial implementation and 1 hr minimum training was August 1st, 2023)
- Legislation/Waivers relative to 1st Responder/Paramedic staffed Ambulance
This legislation is still in consideration.
- Changes in Leadership for OEMS, new Director Susan Lewis

Agency specific items and concerns:

- CMED Fees, a statewide survey was distributed to determine the active range of fees and services
- Delays at hospital offloading patients
This is a consistent problem across the state and has been acknowledged by the hospitals as a staffing issue. They are working to alleviate the issue.
- Additional Vaccine requirements/options for Responders.
No current mandate, but the discussion is for the agencies to make more vaccines available for providers. (Covid, Flu, ect.)
- Availability of chassis and other parts have significantly delayed new ambulance deliveries and some repair parts. Plan accordingly for replacement apparatus.

Respectfully submitted,

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