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**MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS
ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY
MUTUAL AID**

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POLICY: Municipalities participating in the paramedic system will provide backup as required, to achieve the response zone and backup requirements as currently established by the EMS Council.

Mutual aid agreements may be developed with other municipalities adjacent to the political boundaries of the municipality for PFR coverage.

The Municipality may execute a mutual aid agreement with other municipalities adjacent to the political boundaries of the Municipality but outside the political boundaries of Milwaukee County for ALS and/or PFR services.

- Milwaukee County will be included in all discussions regarding the establishment of mutual aid agreements prior to the execution of any mutual aid agreement between the Municipality and a neighboring community outside Milwaukee County.
- The State Plan Change policy must be implemented in the establishment of a mutual aid agreement with another EMS provider.
- The Municipality may not enter into situations pertaining to the provision of paramedic level services that detract from the primary service area, including, but not limited to, special events without the approval of County EMS and the Medical Director. Service provision to County residents is the top priority. The fiscal impact of the mutual aid agreement must meet the needs of the County.
- The Municipality and County shall share all revenues from the collected invoices.
 - Under this revenue sharing agreement, the Municipality and County shall establish necessary policies and procedures to track services provided under the mutual aid agreement.
 - The current ALS contract will determine how revenues from these services are distributed.
- Mutual aid agreements shall include indemnification and insurance language sufficient to protect the County and its agents from any liability and recognize the rights and control of the County's Medical Director.
- The County reserves the right to deny the execution of these mutual aid agreements.

If the Municipality executes a mutual aid agreement as outlined above, and, during the course of this contract, provides ALS or PFR services within the service area, the Municipality and Milwaukee County will share the revenue from the collected invoices. Policies will be established to track services and revenue. Revenues will be distributed as follows: total billing costs will be subtracted from the gross amount collected, 10% of the net remaining amount will be retained by Milwaukee to offset administrative costs, 10% of the remaining amount will be retained and included as a part of the total net system revenue, and the Municipality will receive 80% of the remaining net revenue.

The Municipality may not, arrange for some or all of the ALS services to be provided by one or more private ambulance providers without authorization from the County, the County's Medical Director, the EMS Council, or the Fire Chief of the affected Municipality.