

Critical Access Hospitals - EMS Hospital Survey

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(Please type or print)

Hospital Information

Hospital Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Contact Person _____ Title _____ Phone _____

Person Completing Form _____ Title _____ Phone _____

Administrator or CEO _____ Phone _____

Emergency Department Staffing

1. Are emergency department Physicians available on a 24 -hour per day basis: (Check one)
 - a. In house, in the emergency department _____
 - b. In house, immediately on call to the emergency department _____
 - c. On call to the emergency department from outside of the hospital _____

2. Are emergency department Registered Nurses available on a 24-hour per day basis: (Check one)
 - a. Staffed 24-hours per day in the emergency department _____
 - b. In house, assigned and on-call to the emergency department _____

3. Check all of the following who provide EMS staffing in the emergency department:
 - a. Physicians Assistants _____
 - b. Licensed Practical Nurses _____
 - c. Paramedics _____
 - d. EMTs (what licensure level) _____
 - d. Other (Explain) _____

4. Is there a Physician designated to serve as Medical Director for local EMS ambulance service providers? _____yes _____no If yes, who _____

5. Is there a Physician designated to provide continued quality improvement (CQI) for local ambulance service providers? _____yes _____no If yes, who _____

Emergency Department Communications

1. Does the emergency department have two way radio equipment linked with ambulances:
 - a. Located and monitored in the emergency department 24-hours per day _____
 - b. Monitored in the hospital _____
 - c. Capability to monitor in the emergency department (remote unit) _____

2. What radio frequency is used to communicate with ambulances _____

3. Does the emergency department have a dedicated telephone line to receive telephone calls from incoming ambulances _____yes _____no

4. Does the emergency department have the capability to receive electrocardiogram (ECG) telemetry from outside of the hospital _____yes _____no.

If yes, how_____

5. Does the emergency department currently issue pre-hospital instructions to incoming ambulances?
_____yes _____no

Training

1. Does the hospital participate in or conduct training programs for EMTs _____yes _____no

If yes, what level? _____ Basic _____ Intermediate _____ Paramedic _____ Other

If other, explain_____

2. Does the hospital provide continuing education or refresher training for EMTs _____yes _____ no.

3. Does the hospital participate in a formal "run review" program with EMTs _____ yes _____ no.

4. Are EMTs currently allowed to train in the hospital clinics (i.e. Pre-op, surgery, ICU, etc.)

_____ yes _____no.

If yes, describe_____

5. Does the hospital own EMS training equipment? (I.e. I.V. arms, intubation heads, CPR manikins, etc.)

_____yes _____no

If yes, describe_____

6. Does the hospital provide in-house training for Nurses, Physicians or other health personnel?

_____yes _____no If yes, describe_____

Needs Assessment:

1. Approximately what percent of the total number of patients brought to the emergency department by area ambulances would be considered:
 - a. Truly emergent _____%.
 - b. Cardiac Emergencies _____%
 - c. Pulseless, non-breathing _____%
 - d. Severe Trauma (I.e. major injuries which required extensive emergency treatment and/or hospitalization) _____%
 - e. Diabetic emergencies _____%
 - f. Drug Overdose _____%
 - g. Anaphylactic Reaction _____%
2. Approximately what percent of the above emergencies might have benefited if more advanced skills/drugs were initiated by the EMTs _____%
3. Do you feel that the current level of pre-hospital emergency care provided by area EMTs adequately meets the needs of your hospital service area _____yes _____no

If you answered no to question #3 above, please complete question # 4.

4. Please use this space to describe what additional skills or drugs that you feel would most benefit the patient, if used by area EMTs during pre-hospital treatment and transport: (This section should be completed by the EMS Coordinator or Physician Medical Director)

5. Does the hospital have a computer available for EMTs to enter ambulance run data?
_____yes _____no. If yes, is this computer dedicated for only this purpose. Describe.

6. Additional comments or suggestions regarding your area pre-hospital EMS:

(Add additional pages if necessary)