

From the Director of the Office of Emergency Management (OEM), requesting approval to amend Milwaukee County Ordinance Chapter 97, by recommending adoption of the following:

A REVISED RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Section 97, Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances (the Code), governs the provision of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to the citizens of Milwaukee County (the County); and

WHEREAS, since November 1973, EMS has existed in the County; and

WHEREAS, the County EMS system responds to more than 112,000 calls for service annually; and

WHEREAS, the County's Office of Emergency Management provides administrative oversight of the County's EMS System; and

WHEREAS, the County's EMS Council has reviewed and identified updates necessary to Section 97, the Code; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning, at its meeting of January 23, 2025, recommended adoption of File No. 25-121 (vote 5-0); and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services, at its meeting of January 28, 2025, recommended adoption of File No. 25-121 (vote 5-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the recommended amendments to Section 97, Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances, through the adoption of the following:

36 **AN ORDINANCE**

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38 The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Milwaukee does ordain as follows:

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40 **SECTION 1.** Section 97.01 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances is
41 hereby amended as follows:

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43 **97.01 - Creation.**

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45 There is hereby created, in the ~~department of administration, division of~~
46 ~~county health-related programs~~**Office of Emergency Management**, a ~~section~~
47 **Division of eE**emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services whose purpose shall be to coordinate,
48 review, approve, analyze, and integrate all ~~eE~~emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services performed
49 by public and private entities within the geographical boundaries of the county, as
50 described in various subsections of ch. ~~446256~~, Wis. Stats.

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52 **SECTION 2.** Section 97.02 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances is
53 hereby amended as follows:

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55 **97.02. Policy and purpose.**

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57 An effective county ~~eE~~emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services program shall be
58 established and maintained in the county at all times. The delivery of ~~eE~~emergency
59 ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services, as described in ch. ~~446256~~, Wis. Stats., shall be performed
60 uniformly, consistently, and equitably for all county residents. The provision of services
61 shall be reviewed, approved, analyzed, coordinated, and monitored by the county on
62 behalf of all citizens residing within the county to ensure efficient and cost-effective
63 patient care.

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65 The ~~division of county health-related programs~~**Office of Emergency**
66 **Management – EMS Division** shall be the coordinating agency for all ~~eE~~emergency
67 ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services provided and shall discharge, or cause to be discharged, the
68 responsibilities imposed by this chapter.

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70 Municipalities within the county are encouraged to explore alternative
71 cooperative partnerships. The county will actively participate in the mutual exploration of
72 alternative cooperative partnerships with municipality representatives. The county will
73 review this ordinance as it affects the creation of new forms of service delivery.
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SECTION 3. Section 97.03 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

97.03. - Definitions.

- (1) *Ambulance* shall mean an emergency vehicle, including any motor vehicle, boat or aircraft, whether privately or publicly owned, which is designed, constructed, or equipped to transport sick, disabled, or injured individuals, as described in s. ~~446.50(1)(a)~~**256.01 (1t)**, Wis. Stats.
- (2) *Ambulance service provider* shall mean any person engaged in the business of transporting sick, disabled, or injured individuals by ambulance to or from facilities or institutions providing health services, as described in s. ~~446.50(1)(c)~~**256.01 (3)**, Wis. Stats.
- (3) *Basic life support* shall mean emergency medical care rendered to a sick, disabled, or injured individual, based on signs, symptoms, or complaints, prior to the individual's hospitalization or during transport of the individual between health care facilities. This care shall be limited to use of knowledge, skills, and techniques received from training required for licensure as an emergency medical technician-basic, as described in s. ~~446.50(1)(d)~~**256.01 (6)**, Wis. Stats.
- (4) *Dispatch* shall mean receiving requests for emergency assistance, determining the nature and priority of the emergency, and sending appropriate responding emergency personnel and equipment.
- (5) *Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services* shall mean a comprehensive system providing for the arrangement of personnel, facilities, and equipment for the effective and coordinated delivery of services under emergency conditions (occurring either as a result of a patient's condition or natural disasters or similar situations). This system shall be administered by an entity having the authority and resources to provide effective administration of the system throughout the continuum of care and in an appropriate geographical area for health care services.
- (6) *Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services communicator* shall mean an individual who receives requests for emergency medical assistance.
- (7) *Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services council* shall mean the body as authorized and defined in section 97.07 of this Code.
- (8) *Emergency medical technician* shall mean an emergency medical technician-basic, **advanced** emergency medical technician-~~intermediate~~, or emergency medical technician-paramedic, as described in s. ~~446.50(1)(e)~~**256.01 (6), 256.01 (1k), and 256.01 (14)**, Wis. Stats., **respectively**.

- 120 (9) *Emergency medical technician-basic* shall mean an individual who is licensed,
121 by the Wisconsin Department of Health ~~and Family~~ Services, to administer
122 basic life support and to properly handle and transport sick, disabled, or injured
123 individuals, as described in s. ~~146.50(1)(f)~~256.01 (6), Wis. Stats.
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- 125 (10) **Advanced** *Emergency medical technician-intermediate* shall mean an
126 individual who is licensed by the Wisconsin Department of Health ~~and Family~~
127 Services as an **advanced** emergency medical technician ~~intermediate~~, as
128 described in section ~~146.50(1)(g)~~256.01 (1k) of the Wisconsin Stats.
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- 130 (11) *Emergency medical technician-paramedic* shall mean an individual who is
131 specially trained in emergency cardiac, trauma, and other lifesaving or
132 emergency procedures in a training program or course of instruction prescribed
133 by the Wisconsin Department of Health ~~and Family~~ Services and who has
134 been examined and licensed as an emergency medical technician-paramedic,
135 as described in s. ~~146.50(1)(h)~~256.01 (14), Wis. Stats.
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- 137 (12) *First responder* shall mean a person who, as a condition of employment or as a
138 member of a first responder service, provides emergency medical care to a
139 sick, disabled, or injured individual, prior to the arrival of an ambulance.
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- 141 (13) *First responder service provider* shall mean any organization that provides pre-
142 hospital emergency medical care, not including transportation.
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- 144 (14) *Inter-facility transport* shall mean the transportation of an ill individual from one
145 medical provider facility to another medical provider facility, usually from a
146 hospital to a skilled nursing facility or between hospitals or skilled nursing
147 facilities.
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- 149 (15) *Medical director* shall mean a physician who trains; medically coordinates;
150 directs; supervises; establishes standard operating procedures; designates
151 physicians to direct and supervise emergency medical technicians; and reviews
152 the performance of emergency medical technicians and ambulance service
153 providers, as prescribed in s. ~~146.50(1)(j)~~256.01 (11), Wis. Stats.
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- 155 (16) *Municipality* shall mean a village, town, city, or other entity licensed by s. 66.30,
156 Wis. Stats. and organized for the purpose of providing fire and ~~e~~Emergency
157 ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services and holding a license issued by the state of Wisconsin,
158 under the provisions of ch. ~~146~~256, Wis. Stats.
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160 (17) ~~Paramedic first responder (PFR) shall mean the county program which~~
161 ~~authorizes municipalities to utilize qualified licensed emergency medical~~
162 ~~technician-paramedics, recognized as paramedics within the county's~~
163 ~~emergency medical services system, to respond to 911 calls and, upon~~
164 ~~arrival at the scene in any appropriate vehicle properly equipped and~~
165 ~~supplied as defined by the medical director, perform services at a level~~
166 ~~consistent with the individual's license, as prescribed in chapter HHS 112~~
167 ~~of the State of Wisconsin Administrative Code, including the provision of~~
168 ~~advanced life support measures.~~

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170 ~~The level of services shall be agreed upon and included in the contract~~
171 ~~between the county and the municipality. The contract between the county and~~
172 ~~the municipality, subject to county and municipal review and approvals, shall~~
173 ~~establish a mutually agreed upon level of participation in the PFR program. The~~
174 ~~zone of coverage for the PFR program shall be determined by the municipality~~
175 ~~and shall take into consideration mutual aid services for municipalities sharing~~
176 ~~common borders.~~

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178 ~~(18)(17)~~ *Paramedic unit* shall mean a medical transport vehicle, operated by a
179 municipality within contractual terms established by the county and
180 municipality, which is staffed and equipped with proper paramedic personnel,
181 supplies, and equipment. ~~The paramedic unit's zone of responsibility,~~
182 ~~which may or may not conform to the political borders of the municipality,~~
183 ~~shall be determined by the section of emergency medical services, upon~~
184 ~~consultation and approval by the county's council on emergency medical~~
185 ~~services.~~

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187 ~~(19)(18)~~ *Private provider* shall mean any non-public provider of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical
188 ~~s~~Services, as licensed under the provisions of ch. ~~446~~256, Wis. Stats.

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190 ~~(20)(19)~~ *Protocol* shall mean a written statement, developed and distributed by the
191 ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services and approved by the
192 program's medical director, listing and describing steps to be followed by any
193 individual involved in the dispatch and provision of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical
194 ~~s~~Services utilized in assessing and treating a patient.

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196 ~~(21)(20)~~ *Public agency* shall mean the state, county, city, village, or town or any agency
197 of the state, county, city, village or town.

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199 ~~(22)(21)~~ *Special event plan* shall mean the document, mandated by the Wisconsin
200 Department of Health ~~and Family~~ Services and submitted to the county
201 ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services for review and approval,
202 outlining the delivery plan for ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services at events
203 where large numbers of individuals are expected to attend.

SECTION 4. Section 97.04 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

97.04. - Authority.

(1) The ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services shall:

- (a) Address any and all issues pertaining to the delivery and coordination of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services by public and private entities within the county, including but not limited to the development, review, approval, implementation, monitoring, and filing of the regional state plan, as required by s. ~~146.55(2)~~256.12 (2), Wis. Stats.;
- (b) Develop and conduct training courses for the purpose of developing and maintaining the skills of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~technician-paramedics~~Services Clinician-and/or, in coordination with other educational institutions, other courses which pertain to the delivery of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services within the county;
- (c) Manage and operate the county-~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services communication system and coordinate access and use of this system, in conjunction with other emergency and/or other county communication systems and in cooperation with providers;
- (d) Maintain access to pertinent data from public and private entities which are licensed as ambulance service providers and which provide services within the county and from health-care receiving facilities, with the overall goal of enhancing and providing quality services to county residents, by reviewing the delivery of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services, conducting quality assurance reviews, and performing incident investigations;
- (e) Coordinate, with the state of Wisconsin, the delivery and coordination of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services within the county, including the forwarding of performance and licensure issues, as identified by the county ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services council, to the state of Wisconsin;
- (f) Serve as the lead and coordinating agency within the county for public awareness and education in the use of 9-1-1 for medical emergencies, in conjunction with other municipalities and public safety agencies;
- (g) Serve as the lead and coordinating agency within the county for the identification of public health and public safety issues and trends related to ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services;

(h) Provide or arrange for the provision of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services through the establishment of contractual arrangements with providers; and

(i) Upon request, provide ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services, utilizing properly licensed county employees, at special events expected to have large spectator or patron attendance.

SECTION 5. Section 97.05 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

97.05. - Administration and structure.

- (1) *Appointment of program manager.* The ~~d~~Director of the ~~division of county health-related programs~~Office of Emergency Management shall appoint an individual to serve as the ~~program manager~~Director for the ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services, following the county's civil service and appointment rules.
- (2) Duties of ~~program manager~~Division Director. The ~~program manager~~Division Director shall be responsible for the overall operation of the ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services program.
- (3) Appointment of ~~m~~Medical ~~d~~Director, ~~associate medical director, assistant medical director.~~ The ~~d~~Director of the ~~division of county health-related programs~~Office of Emergency Management shall recommend to the county board the procedure by which the ~~m~~Medical ~~d~~Director, ~~associate medical director, and assistant medical director~~ for the ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services program ~~and medical director for the emergency management program, as defined in chapter 99 of this Code,~~ shall be appointed. ~~The director of the division of county health-related programs shall be directly responsible for the oversight and management of medical direction.~~

SECTION 6. Section 97.06 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

97.06. - Roles, powers and duties.

- (a) *Role of municipality.* Municipal providers form the infrastructure of the EMS system. Each Milwaukee County municipality shall be responsible for determining the level of participation by the municipality and/or private service provider(s) within the county's ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services program. The level of service provided within the municipality shall be in conformance with any ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services contract between the county and the municipality and in conformance with the state plan. Municipalities shall designate a department within the municipality that shall be responsible for working with the ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services.
- (b) *Service delivery plan.* All municipalities within the county shall annually review and, if necessary, submit revised service delivery plans to the ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services indicating the minimum level of BLS and/or ALS services the municipality will directly provide or the manner in which those services will be provided within the municipality by other providers. Revisions to a service plan may require mutually agreed upon revisions to any contract between the county and the municipality, prior to implementation. Upon review by the ~~section~~Division ~~on~~of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services for consistency and congruence with the overall regional plan, the municipality's submitted plan shall be incorporated into and made part of the ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services plan for the county. Contracts between municipalities and private entities for the provision of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services shall include contractual language permitting and allowing the county ~~unfettered~~ access to ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services' dispatch and patient care information. Municipalities may revise or otherwise change their designated service delivery models, upon notification to the county and subsequent required state of Wisconsin approval of any revisions to the county's ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services program plan.
- (c) *Training.* The ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services shall collaborate with municipalities in the operation of the training program; scheduling, delivery and conducting of training classes or field experiences; collection and input of data necessary for the operation of the ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services; and the communications base or other areas deemed by the director of the ~~division of county health-related programs~~Office of Emergency Management to be critical to the operation of the ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services program.

(d) *Training programs.* The ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services ~~shall~~may provide or coordinate with other educational institutions for the provision of classes and other educational programs for the purpose of training an individual as an ~~emergency medical technician-paramedic~~EMS Provider. Classes required to maintain relevant skills, dispatch training courses, and other educational programs deemed critical to the functioning of the ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services program in the county shall be furnished, subject to conformity with a coordinated county, regional or statewide plan and eligibility requirements established by the ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services. The following priorities ~~shall~~may apply in the training of personnel:

- (1) Personnel designated by the county's municipalities or county personnel, with a priority for those municipalities operating paramedic transport units;
- (2) Personnel of private ambulance operators, industrial rescue units, and other entities having participation agreements with the county and providing services to the residents of the county;
- (3) Personnel designated by municipalities, located outside the county's boundaries but within the metropolitan area, having mutual aid agreements with municipalities within the county; and
- (4) Personnel designated by municipalities located outside the county and outside the metropolitan area or individuals that meet the training program's admissions requirements.

(e) *Training cost recovery.* The ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services shall propose, for inclusion in the county's annual budget, recommendations regarding rates for training services.

(f) *Training schedules and course content.* The ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services shall be solely responsible for the establishment of training schedules, course guidelines, supervised field experience, and other administrative policies meeting state of Wisconsin requirements pertaining to classroom work and clinical training ~~deemed necessary~~provided by the ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services. Entities utilizing the ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services' training program's educational resources shall agree to fully cooperate with the county in scheduling and conducting training opportunities in a cost-effective and efficient manner, including the arrangement of time schedules for class meetings, clinical observations, and field instruction.

- (g) *Dispatcher training.* Each municipality operating an emergency medical system or 911 public safety answering point (PSAP), as described in chapter 91 of the county code of ordinances, shall take all necessary steps to insure that all persons staffing the municipality's PSAP or dispatch center have been properly oriented and trained in emergency medical service screening, dispatch protocols, and referrals, as determined by the **sectionDivision** on **eEmergency** **mMedical** **sServices**.
- (h) *Role of private service providers.* Private ambulance service providers, licensed by the state under the provisions of ch. **146256**, Wis. Stats., are an integral part of the delivery of **eEmergency** **mMedical** **sServices** within the county. The **sectionDivision** of **eEmergency** **mMedical** **sServices** shall request that private ambulance service providers enter into participation agreements with the **sectionDivision** of **eEmergency** **mMedical** **sServices**, establishing the basis of the private service providers' operations within the county and reflecting the county's emergency medical service plan, as filed with the state. A private ambulance service provider shall be authorized to provide services consistent with the terms of the private provider's state license and any established municipality/private provider agreement, as reflected in the county's **eEmergency** **mMedical** **sServices** plan.
- (i) *Role of **mMedical** **dDirector**.* The **mMedical** **dDirector** shall provide patient advocacy, medical direction, and consultation on all aspects of the Milwaukee County Emergency Medical Services System, in accordance with state of Wisconsin rules and regulations. The **mMedical** **dDirector**'s appointment, qualifications, duties, responsibilities, and compensation shall be defined in a contractual agreement approved by the county board and administrated by the **dDirector** of ~~county health related programs~~ **the Office of Emergency Management**.
- (j) *Basic life support (BLS) and advanced life support (ALS) services.* The county shall review, for the purpose of assuring consistency, uniformity, and equity, basic and advanced life support service plans that have been developed and proposed by municipalities. These plans shall describe the manner, scope, service boundaries, equipment, protocols, or other issues associated with the delivery of emergency medical care by the municipality on behalf of the county.
- (k) *Coordinated communications.* The **dDirector** of ~~county health related programs~~ **the Office of Emergency Management** shall coordinate overall communications for the **eEmergency** **mMedical** **sServices** system. All radio equipment related to the **eEmergency** **mMedical** **sServices** program shall be compatible with the county's system and in conformance with the state's **eEmergency** **mMedical** **sServices** communications plan.

412 (l) *Review of service delivery.* The ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical
413 ~~s~~Services shall review the delivery of basic life support and advanced life
414 support services by any entity providing services to county residents on a
415 routine basis. The ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services shall
416 be responsible for addressing concerns regarding quality of services and for
417 establishment of action plans to resolve concerns and avoid repeat
418 occurrences. Resolution of concerns shall be treated as confidential matters
419 involving the ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services, the
420 reporting party, and the emergency medical service provider. With the
421 exception of violations of state statutes and/or state rules or regulations relating
422 to the licensure of individuals acting as ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services
423 technicians at any skill level or the licensure of an ambulance service provider,
424 information regarding complaints and resolution of complaints shall be treated
425 as confidential matters and related materials shall not be released to any
426 individual, agency, or organization. The ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency
427 ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services shall establish quality standards. Data collected during the
428 course of quality reviews shall be considered confidential information.
429 Reporting of outcomes from this collection shall be aggregated in such a
430 manner as to maintain the confidentiality of the source. All state and federal
431 guidelines related to confidentiality of information will be maintained.

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433 (m) *Data collection and reporting.* The ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical
434 ~~s~~Services shall be responsible for overseeing the collection and reporting of
435 data related to ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services and provided by public and
436 private entities, as predetermined by contractual agreements. Each municipality
437 shall be responsible for cooperating with the county in the collection of
438 information necessary for reporting purposes or for the collection of service
439 invoices.

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441 (n) *Medical direction.*

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443 (1) *Municipalities.* The ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services
444 shall provide medical direction for ~~all~~ public ~~advanced life~~
445 ~~support~~emergency medical units and, ~~if requested,~~ dispatch centers
446 operating within the county ~~and may provide medical direction and on-~~
447 ~~line medical control to any municipality choosing to operate basic life~~
448 ~~support units under the control of the municipality.~~ Municipalities
449 choosing to utilize other medical direction and on-line medical control
450 resources shall take the necessary steps to ~~insure~~ensure that utilized
451 policies, procedures, and protocols are in conformance with the county's
452 protocols, policies, and procedures and that services conform to the
453 municipality's ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services plan on file with the
454 county.

(2) *Private entities.* Private ambulance entities may request the provision of on-line medical control from the ~~section~~Division of ~~eE~~Emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services for the operation of their services. The ~~section~~Division of ~~eE~~Emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services shall develop standard agreements to establish contractual relationships, roles, liabilities, and other responsibilities and costs. Private ambulance service providers shall be responsible for any and all costs associated with obtaining and operating communications equipment required to provide this service.

(o) *Special event plans.* The ~~section~~Division of ~~eE~~Emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services shall review and approve all special event plans, as required by the Wisconsin Department of Health ~~and Family~~ Services.

(p) *Community education and public awareness.* In conjunction with the county ~~eE~~Emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services council, the ~~section~~Division of ~~eE~~Emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services shall be responsible for the coordination of community education activities surrounding access to the ~~eE~~Emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services system and development of public awareness activities and programs.

SECTION 7. Section 97.07 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

97.07. - Emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services ~~eC~~Council.

(1) *Creation.* There is hereby created a county ~~eE~~Emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services council, which shall have the primary responsibility for assisting the ~~section~~Division of ~~eE~~Emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services and other emergency medical providers and agencies within the county. Assistance shall include:

(a) Planning for EMS services;

(b) Reviewing and evaluating the operation of emergency medical service delivery systems functioning within the county;

(c) Making recommendations regarding the operation of the emergency medical service delivery systems to the ~~section~~Division of ~~eE~~Emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services and to the ~~health, equity, human needs and strategic planning~~ Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services ~~eC~~Committee of the county board of supervisors;

(d) Recommending policy relating to the coordination, oversight, and delivery of ~~eE~~Emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services within the county; and

(e) Acting as the coordinating body for all pertinent local, state, or federal grant applications pertaining to the provision of ~~eE~~Emergency ~~mM~~Medical ~~sS~~Services.

- (2) *Medical advisory committee.* The emergency medical services committee of the medical society of Milwaukee County shall serve as the medical advisory committee to the Milwaukee County EMS Council.
- (3) *Membership of council.* The council shall consist of not more than ~~twenty-one~~ **(21) twenty-two (22)** voting members and ~~two (2)~~ **three (3)** ex-officio members who shall have the experience, background, and interest in ~~e~~**E**mergency ~~m~~**M**edical ~~s~~**S**ervices. Members shall be appointed by the county executive and approved by the county board. Members of the council shall include the following:
- (a) One (1) representative of Milwaukee County's ~~d~~**D**ivision of ~~e~~**E**mergency ~~management~~**Medical Services**;
 - (b) ~~Two (2)~~ **Four (4)** fire chiefs from suburban municipalities ~~hosting paramedic unit services~~**providing EMS** services;
 - (c) ~~Two (2) fire chiefs from municipalities providing only BLS or PFR services~~;
 - (~~d~~) The fire chief from the City of Milwaukee, or a designee;
 - (~~e~~)(**d**) One (1) county board supervisor who shall be appointed by the county executive and who shall serve as the council's presiding officer;
 - (~~f~~)(**e**) Five (5) community representatives;
 - (~~g~~)(**f**) Medical ~~d~~**D**irector of Milwaukee County's EMS system (ex-officio);
 - (~~h~~) ~~One (1) physician recommended by the medical society's EMS committee~~;
 - (i)(**g**) ~~Two (2)~~ **One (1)** private providers of ~~emergency medical services~~ **Emergency Medical Services**;
 - (j)(**h**) ~~One (1) representative of the Wisconsin hospital association's metropolitan office~~ **One (1) physician and one (1) administrator representative of a health system with a receiving hospital in the Milwaukee County EMS System**;
 - (~~k~~)(**i**) Two (2) licensed paramedics active in the county's delivery of ~~e~~**E**mergency ~~m~~**M**edical ~~s~~**S**ervices;
 - (~~l~~)(**j**) Two (2) representatives of the intergovernmental cooperation council;
 - (~~m~~)(**k**) Director of Milwaukee County's ~~health-related programs~~ **Office of Emergency Management– EMS Division** (ex-officio); ~~and~~

(n)(l) One (1) representative from Milwaukee area technical college's ~~basic life support education e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services program;

(m) One (1) member of the State of Wisconsin EMS Board (ex-officio); and

(n) One (1) Public Health Officer from a municipality in Milwaukee County.

(4) *Term of office.* Each voting member of the council shall serve for a term of two (2) years, with the exception that any elected official appointed to the council shall serve for the term of his/her elected office.

(5) *Vacancies and alternates.* A vacancy occurring because of resignation or other valid reason will be filled, for the unexpired term, by appointment of a successor, in the same manner that council members are appointed.

(6) *Duties and powers of council.*

(a) The council shall have the following duties and powers, recognizing that the county board of supervisors reserves the right to review all policies and programs:

1. Advise, assist, coordinate, and recommend approval to the ~~section~~Division of ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services on matters relating to the county-wide plan for ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services;
2. Act as the county's coordinating, approval, and resource agency, under state and regional plans for ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services;
3. Evaluate the comprehensive system for delivery of services covered by the state plan, including determining, evaluating effectiveness, and establishing priorities in meeting such needs;
4. Forward recommendations to the ~~committee on health, equity, human needs and strategic planning or other~~ appropriate county committees regarding needs of the ~~e~~Emergency ~~m~~Medical ~~s~~Services program; status of existing programs designed to meet those needs; and new programs and services which may be needed to meet the county's needs;
5. Review pertinent data and projections to help in the county planning process;

- 590 6. Indicate need for particular legislation and make available to the county
591 board, through the committee on health, equity, human needs and strategic
592 planning or other appropriate committees, information and research
593 relating to the effects of proposed legislation;
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595 7. Assist in obtaining technical assistance for service providers;
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597 8. Act as the mechanism through which the general public is able to be heard
598 on any and all issues relating to the provision and functioning of emergency
599 medical care in the community;
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601 9. Report activities to the county board ~~and the committee on health,~~
602 ~~equity, human needs and strategic planning,~~ appropriate county
603 committees, county executive, and all Milwaukee County municipalities,
604 as required; and
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606 10. Provide administrative and clerical support to the council.
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608 (b) *Open meetings*. All meetings of the council and its standing committees shall
609 be publicly announced and open to all citizens, as required by s. 19.82 et
610 seq., Wis. Stats.
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612 (c) *Standing committees*. In order to accomplish its work, the EMS council shall
613 have the following standing committees: ~~operations; medical advisory~~
614 ~~(medical society of Milwaukee); quality assessment and improvement;~~
615 ~~public education~~ EMS system advisory; and executive. Committee
616 membership may include council members and/or nonmembers, but each
617 committee shall be chaired by a member of the council. The presiding officer
618 may appoint other select committees as he or she deems necessary.
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620 (d) *By-laws*. The council shall adopt appropriate by-laws incorporating Robert's
621 Rules of Order, Revised Edition. Elected officers shall serve for a term, as
622 determined by the council's by-laws. A majority of the voting members of the
623 council shall constitute a quorum.
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625 **SECTION 8.** The provisions of this Ordinance will be effective upon passage and
626 publication.
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