

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

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To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors

From: Joseph Lamers, Director, Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget,
Department of Administrative Services

Subject: Request to abolish twenty (20.0) Hourly Special Events Paramedics and create twenty (20.0) Hourly Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) to provide adequate staffing levels for medical operations within the Community Oriented Regional EMS (CORE) Team

REQUEST

The Director of the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) is requesting adoption of a resolution which will abolish twenty (20.0) Hourly Special Events Paramedics and create twenty (20.0) Hourly Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) to provide adequate staffing levels for medical operations within the Community Oriented Regional EMS (CORE) Team.

BACKGROUND

The Office of Emergency Management includes an Emergency Medical Services Division which provides emergency medical coverage to contracted venues within Milwaukee County for on-site Paramedic response. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this team is taking on a new initiative of community testing, vaccination and education. In addition to this new initiative, the EMS Division will continue to provide coverage for original contract venues.

The EMT positions will have some of the following job duties:

1. Ensure contractual obligations are being met and provide excellent customer service
2. Support Paramedic providers in patient care within their scope of practice
3. Provide input to leadership in support of the program
4. Respond to requests for assistance in a quick and timely manner
5. Function within the Incident Command System structure established by OEM-EMS Leadership
6. Attend all required education and training sessions and maintain licensure and credentials required to perform job duties
7. Ensure current knowledge of treatment guidelines, standard operating guidelines and special working notices
8. Other duties/special projects deemed appropriate and necessary

FISCAL IMPACT

These positions will be providing medical coverage to venues where contracts are in place that cover the cost of medical supplies and personnel. OEM will continue to provide these services within the determined hourly personnel budget. The additional EMT positions being requested will have no tax levy impact.

RECOMMENDATION

DAS-PSB recommends that twenty (20.0) Hourly Special Events Paramedics be abolished and twenty (20.0) Hourly EMT positions be created to allow OEM EMS Division to properly provide the emergency medical services to the venues it contracts with as well as prepare to take on the new initiative of community testing, vaccination and education.

Action	Title	No. of Positions	Title Code	Pay Grade
Create	Hourly EMT	20.0	TBD	16 (\$19.61/hr-\$21.95/hr)



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