

**OKALOOSA COUNTY
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE**

Title:	Inter-Agency Dialogue
Policy:	402.00
Purpose:	Okaloosa County EMS will provide for dialogue with all our healthcare partners, public safety agencies, hospitals, and government officials.

Policy:

1. Medical Director Quality Assurance (MDQA) Committee - Monthly Meeting
 - a. Multi-agency monthly meeting
 - b. Includes area hospitals, local Fire and Law Enforcement Agencies, School Board, Public Health Departments, Volunteer Agencies, Local Industries
 - c. Hosted by the Okaloosa County EMS Medical Director(s) or EMS Chief
2. Florida State EMS Advisory Council Semi-Annual Meetings
 - a. Allows interaction with EMS providers from the entire state
 - b. Provides opportunity for state-wide EMS policy input
3. Florida Association Of County EMS – Semi-Annual Meetings
 - a. Allows interaction with EMS providers from the entire state
 - b. Provides opportunity for state-wide EMS policy input
4. Florida District 1 EMS Council - Monthly Meetings
 - a. Allows interaction with other public safety agencies in Region 1
 - b. Represented by the EMS Chief or designee
5. Florida Healthcare Coalition Taskforce – Quarterly Meetings
 - a. Multi-agency / stakeholder group
 - b. Advisory body for the development and sustainment of local, community-based healthcare coalitions aiming to provide health and medical coverage for all of Florida’s population in the face of disasters and emergency incidents or events.
 - c. Represented by the EMS Chief or designee
6. Okaloosa County Fire Rescue Organization – Monthly Meeting
 - a. Multi-agency monthly meeting
 - b. Includes local fire departments and other stakeholders in Fire/EMS activities
 - c. Represented by the EMS Chief or designee
7. Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County – Community Health Improvement Planning (CHIP) Council
 - a. Multi-stakeholder council annual and tri-annual meeting
 - b. General community health improvement initiatives
 - c. Represented by the EMS Chief or designee

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8. Florida Department of Health Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Advisory Committee – Quarterly Meeting
 - a. The committee advises the Department of Health on matters concerning preventative, pre-hospital, hospital, rehabilitative, and other post medical care for children.
 - b. Members are appointed by the State Surgeon General and serve two–year terms.
9. Okaloosa County EMS will seek for and support participation in other multi-agency meeting and will assign the appropriate staff to attend.

Accountability and Compliance:

All Inter-Agency meetings have documentation minutes recorded and presented to all agencies involved. These meeting minutes are reviewed and approved by the EMS Chief or designee.

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