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To: All EMS Service Directors
All EMS Medical Directors

From: Wisconsin Emergency Medical Services Section



Mutual Aid

This memo provides all agencies with a clarification on two issues related to mutual aid:

- 1) The use of EMS mutual aid that is provided to a Wisconsin service by an out-of-state licensed service(s) that is not also licensed in Wisconsin, and
- 2) Mutual aid ambulances from other Wisconsin communities that are licensed as a one-paramedic service coming into a two-paramedic service jurisdiction.

For the first question regarding licensees from other states providing emergency medical services in Wisconsin, under Wis. Stat. s. 256.15 (2), Wisconsin licensure **is required** in order to provide ambulance or EMT service in Wisconsin. This is a requirement that may not be waived under DHS 110.03 because it is a statute requirement.

Regarding the second issue of a one-paramedic service providing mutual aid in a two-paramedic jurisdiction, a one-paramedic ambulance service **may provide** paramedic level care with one paramedic in the primary service area of a two-paramedic ambulance service, unless the mutual aid agreement between the two services prohibits it from doing so.

Please contact the EMS Office if you have any questions or concerns at 608.266.1568 or dhsemssmail@wisconsin.gov.