



Agenda Report

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson
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Viera, FL 32940

New Business - Public Safety Group

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9/17/2019

Subject:

Resolution for the approval to Participate in Florida Medicaid Managed Care Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Supplemental Payment Program

Fiscal Impact:

Florida Agency for Health Care Administration estimates the Brevard County Fire Rescue will contribute approximately \$700,000 to the State of Florida funding pool to access Federal matching funds for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) transport expenditures for services to the County's low income population. It is further estimated that the Brevard County Fire Rescue will receive \$1.7 million from Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) as supplemental payments for medicaid managed care patient transportation services that are provided by the County.

Dept/Office:

Fire Rescue

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners approve a Resolution for the Brevard County Fire Rescue to participate in the State of Florida Agency for Health Care Administration and the Supplemental Payment Program for Medicaid Managed Care Patients; authorize the County Manager to negotiate and execute all required agreements, budget change and transfer requests or other documents necessary to initiate this Program. If advantageous to the County, staff will submit the required Letters of Agreement to the Board for ratification.

Summary Explanation and Background:

The State of Florida has created a supplemental payment program for Medicaid Managed Care patients who are transported to the hospital by the 64 Local Public Emergency Medical Transportation providers. The State of Florida share of the Program is 38.53% and is required to be contributed by participating Local Public Emergency Medical Transportation providers. These contributions will be matched by a Federal share of 61.47%. The State of Florida has budgeted \$54 million in the State's FY 20192020 Budget for this program. The program requires that the Local Public Emergency Medical Transportation providers contribute cost share funding to the State pool in order to participate.

Brevard County Fire Rescue will contribute an estimate \$700,000 to the State's pool, and anticipates receiving \$1.7 million in supplemental payments. This estimate is based on the 64 Local Public Emergency Medical Transportation providers participation into the State's Program. Brevard County Fire Rescue

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transports more than 5,000 Medicaid Managed Care patients annually to hospitals and receives approximately \$138 per patient for this service. Brevard County Fire Rescue's average cost per trip is approximately \$740.

This request has been coordinated with the County Attorney's Office.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

Please return fully executed resolution to Pamela Barrett in Brevard County Fire Rescue.



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September 18, 2019

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief Mark Schollmeyer, Fire Rescue Director Attn: Pam Barrett

RE: Item J.4., Resolution for the Approval to Participate in Florida Medicaid Managed Care Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Supplemental Payment Program

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on September 17, 2019, adopted Resolution No. 19-169, for Brevard County Fire Rescue to participate in the State of Florida Agency for Health Care Administration and the Supplemental Payment Program for Medicaid Managed Care Patients; authorized the County Manager to negotiate and execute all required agreements, budget change and transfer requests, or other documents necessary to initiate this Program; and if advantageous to the County, staff will submit the required Letters of Agreement to the Board for ratification. Enclosed is a fully-executed Resolution.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

Tammy Rowe

Tammy Rowe, Deputy Clerk

Encl. (1)

cc: Finance
Budget

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-169

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BREVARD COUNTY FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFERS WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT PROGRAM FOR MEDICAID MANAGED CARE PATIENTS; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND IF APPROPRIATE EXECUTE ALL REQUIRED AGREEMENTS OR DOCUMENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFERS AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT PROGRAM FOR MEDICAID MANAGED CARE PATIENTS, SUBJECT TO BOARD RATIFICATION OF THE LETTER OF AGREEMENT.

WHEREAS, as set forth in the attached memorandum, the State of Florida has created a supplemental payment program for Medicaid managed care patients who are transported to the hospital by public emergency medical transportation providers and has appropriated an additional \$54 million for this program; and

WHEREAS, Brevard County Fire Rescue transports more than 5,000 Medicaid managed care patients annually to hospitals and receives approximately \$138.00 per patient for this service; and

WHEREAS, by participating in the supplemental payment program for Medicaid managed care patients, Brevard County Fire Rescue can substantially increase its Medicaid managed care patient transport revenue and provide better services to the community; and

WHEREAS, the proposed operating budget for the Brevard County Fire Rescue can accommodate a \$700,000 appropriation for intergovernmental transfers to support the supplemental payment program for Medicaid managed care patients in anticipation of

receiving \$1,700,000 for Medicaid managed care transport revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO AUTHORIZE, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Brevard County Fire Rescue to participate in intergovernmental transfers with the State of Florida Agency Health Care Administration and the supplemental payment program for Medicaid managed care patients.

2. The County Manager to negotiate, and if appropriate, execute any and all agreements or documents, including budget change and transfer requests, necessary for Brevard County Fire Rescue to participate in intergovernmental transfers or the Medicaid managed care supplemental payment program subject to ratification of the letter of agreement by this Board.

Done and Adopted in regular session by the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida, this 17 day of September, 2019.

ATTEST:

By:



Scott Ellis, Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

By:



Kristine Isnardi, Chair

As Approved by the Board on 9/17/19

Reviewed for legal form and content:

Assistant County Attorney