



Agenda Report

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson
Way
Viera, FL 32940

Consent

F.6.

2/21/2023

Subject:

Board Approval, Annual Request to Write-Off Uncollectible Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Ambulance Fees for FY21-22

Fiscal Impact:

The total amount for FY21-22 in Uncollectible Ambulance Write-Off is \$25,448,970.57 in two EMS accounts: (1) Uncollectable Financial and (2) Medicare/Medicaid/Champus Write-Offs.

- (1) \$8,099,072.03 is being requested to be removed from Uncollectable Financial Write-Offs. This does not preclude continuing efforts to collect the receivables in future years. In accordance with County Policy BCC-37, Fire Rescue sends appropriate uncollected accounts to a collection agency for further action.
- (2) \$17,349,898.54 is being requested to be removed from Medicare/Medicaid/Champus and is not forwarded to the collection agency as it is the contractual write off amount.

Dept/Office:

Public Safety Group: Brevard County Fire Rescue

Requested Action:

The Fire Rescue Department requests, in accordance with Ordinance No. 79-21, the Board approve the FY 2021-2022 uncollectible EMS accounts receivable write-off as noted above.

Summary Explanation and Background:

The removal of these Emergency Medical Services (EMS) accounts receivable is in accordance with Ordinance No. 79-21 and generally accepted accounting principles.

Appropriate Accounts for Financial Write-Off

The EMS write-off is a balance sheet financial write-off only. The write-off amount reflects those accounts that are no longer current (older than one year), have been sent to a collection agency or, are otherwise uncollectible. This allows EMS to update receivable reporting for patients that are current only.

Medicare/Medicaid/Champus Contractual Write-Off

The Medicare/Medicaid/Champus write-offs are based upon required contractual adjustments. These write-offs are the difference in what BCFR bills for service and what Medicare, Medicaid and Champus agree to pay contractually.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

File to County uncollectible receivables



February 22, 2023

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Patrick Voltaire, Fire Chief

RE: Item F.6., Board Approval, Annual Request to Write-Off Uncollectible Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Ambulance Fees for FY21-22

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on February 21, 2023, approved the total amount for FY2021-2022 uncollectible EMS accounts receivable write-off in the amount of \$25,448,970.57, in accordance with Ordinance No. 79-21.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK

Kimberly Powell
Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

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cc: Finance
Budget
Public Safety

FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Uncollectible Ambulance Write-Off

Appropriate Accounts for a Financial Write-Off	Amount
Medicare/Medicaid/Champus Contractual writoffs	\$ 17,349,898.54
Accounts Sent to Collection Agencies during FY 2021-2022	\$ 7,111,495.77
Miscellaneous writeoffs (closed accounts, small balances, bad addresses etc)	\$ 987,576.26
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Uncollectible Ambulance Write-Off	\$ 25,448,970.57

Approved by :



Patrick Voltaire
Fire Rescue Chief

1/11/23

Date



Kathleen Prothman
County Finance Director

Date