



CENTRAL DUPAGE HOSPITAL
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM
POLICY & PROCEDURES

TITLE: EMS PERSONNEL POTENTIALLY LIFE-THREATENING INJURY / DEATH

SECTION: EXPOSURE / INJURY

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PURPOSE:

Define the process for Central DuPage Hospital Emergency Medical Services (CDHEMSS) staff dealing with an EMS Personnel (as well as law enforcement) life-threatening injury or death.

POLICY:

Life-Threatening Injuries / Medical Condition while on duty

When an EMS provider has a life-threatening injury or medical condition while on duty:

1. Ensure that proper care is being delivered
2. Once delivered to the Emergency Room
 - a. ED/ECRN Staff
 - i. Ensure proper crowd control so that patient care is not compromised
 - ii. Ensure that the provider's Chief has been notified
 - iii. Contact the CDHEMSS Medical Director as soon as possible
 - iv. Contact the CDHEMSS System Coordinator as soon as possible
 - v. Find a conference room / meeting room for EMS personnel to convene, which is private in nature

Death while on duty

1. If death occurred at ED
 - a. Ensure proper crowd control for agency members arriving
 - b. Ensure the provider's Chief has been notified
 - c. Contact the CDHEMSS Medical Director as soon as possible
 - d. Contact the CDHEMSS System Coordinator as soon as possible
 - i. IDPH Section Chief shall be notified within 24 hours (unless law enforcement)
 - e. Find a conference room / meeting room for EMS personnel to convene, which is private in nature
 - f. If coroner case
 - i. When provider's remains are ready to be transported, the agency should have the opportunity to transport to the coroner's office
 1. The ambulance bay shall be free of non- EMS / FD staff during movement to ambulance for transport

2. Death in the field

- a. Follow all appropriate Region 8 Standard Operating Procedures and CDHEMSS Policies
- b. Notify the CDHEMSS Medical Director within 1 hour
- c. Notify the CDHEMS System Coordinator within 1 hour
 - i. IDPH Section Chief shall be notified within 24 hours (unless law enforcement)

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