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FIRE CHIEF



CITY of WEST ALLIS
FIRE DEPARTMENT

To: Mayor and Members of the Common Council
From: Steven D. Bane, Fire Chief
Date: November 17, 2015
Re: Notification of 2016 Approved ALS Billing Rates

Attached, please find a chart listing the approved countywide Advanced Life Support (ALS) billing rates for 2016. I am providing the list for your information only, and no action is required by your Commission.

Advanced Life Support billing rates are determined by the Emergency Medical Services committee of the Milwaukee County Association of Fire Chiefs (MCAFC) after consultation with our medical director, various local billing agents and Milwaukee County EMS staff. Rates were increased by 1.8%, which was the 2015 CPI for healthcare. EMS committee recommendations were subsequently approved by the MCAFC as stated in the attached letter, dated October 13, 2015.

After receiving MCAFC approval, the rates are submitted to the Milwaukee County Intergovernmental Cooperation Council (ICC) for their review. That group, comprised of all Milwaukee County Mayors and Village Presidents, were provided with the letter that is attached.

Once approved the rates are set for Milwaukee County, and all municipalities who provide ALS care and transport through participation in the Milwaukee County Paramedic contract should charge the approved rates. Each municipality however, is responsible for their own billing, and therefore collection methods or strategies may vary by community.

I have submitted a similar communication to the Police and Fire Commission for their information as well. *Life Quest* will be advised to begin using the new billing rates as of January 1, 2016

Hopefully, I've provided sufficient information to help you understand the rate setting and collection process. If you have further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.



Milwaukee County Association of Fire Chiefs



October 13, 2015

Mayor Steve Scaffidi
Chairman – ICC
8640 S Howell Ave
Oak Creek, WI 53154

Mayor Scaffidi,

Members of the Milwaukee County Association of Fire Chiefs that represent communities that provide advanced life support service have agreed to present the attached 2016 Fee Schedule for ALS Services to their local municipalities for consideration. While the EMS Contract with Milwaukee County does not bind the municipalities to all maintain the same fee structure, the Fire Chiefs have agreed that it is a good practice.

Fees are proposed to increase by 1.8% which is the change in the Medical Care Commodities and Medical Care Service CPI for 2015.

Respectfully,

Mark Rohlfing

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President

*Representing Fire Chiefs from
Cudahy – Franklin – Greendale – Greenfield – Hales Corners – Milwaukee
Milwaukee International Airport – North Shore – Oak Creek – South Milwaukee – St. Francis – Wauwatosa – West
Allis – Wisconsin Air National Guard*

Item	2016 Rates
Paramedic service and/or treatment without transport (Resident)	135.76
Paramedic service and/or treatment without transport (Non-Resident)	185.61
Paramedic service with transport Level - ALS-1 (Resident)	719.11
Paramedic service with transport Level - ALS-2 (Resident)	828.36
Paramedic service with transport Level - ALS-1 (Non-Resident)	849.57
Paramedic service with transport Level - ALS-2 (Non-Resident)	980.03
Paramedic service and invasive treatment without transport (Resident)	135.76
Paramedic service and invasive treatment without transport (Non-Resident)	190.92
Defibrillation	109.25
IV and supplies	65.76
Intubation	81.67
ALS supplies	86.97
Oxygen and supplies	81.67
Mileage (rate per loaded mile)	15.91
EKG	109.25
Drugs, Group-1: Albuterol, Amioderone (30 mg), Aspirin, Atropine, Benadryl, Calcium Gluconate, Dextrose, D5W, Glucose (oral), Nitroglycerin, Sodium Normal Saline (bags & carpujet), Versed, Zofran Tabs, Zofran IV	35.00
Drugs, Group-2: Calcium Chloride, Dopamine, Epinephrine (IM or IV, not by Epi-pen), Lidocaine, Sodium Bicarbonate	40.30
Drugs, Group-3: Fentanyl, Ketamine, Midazolam, Narcan	51.97
Epinephrine by Epi-pen	103.94
Adenosine	97.58
Glucagon, up to 1 Mg	97.58
Solmedrol, 41-125 Mg	63.64
E-Z IO	130.46
Spinal Immobilization	135.76
Triage barcode wristbands	3.18
Cyano-kits	980.03
CPAP mask	48.79