

**CHESTER COUNTY EMS COUNCIL INC.
RECOMMENDATION FOR CONSIDERATION**

Board Meeting Date: 05/09/2012

VTR#: 12-1 Subject: Recommended Implementation of Priority Medical Dispatch in Chester County
Committee/Task Force: CCEMS Operations Committee

Recommended Goal Recommended Policy Change Other:

Recommendation/Motion: Recommendation that the Chester County 9-1-1 Center implement a Priority Medical Dispatch system for the dispatch of emergency medical services calls

Rationale [Background]: The benefits of the utilization of this system are far-reaching. Through dispatch-specific education and practical experience, PMD is able to more accurately interrogate the caller, cull more pertinent information, and make more sensible decisions about EMS responses. The system allows for preplanned responses, safer responses (fewer units responding in the red-light-and-siren mode), fuel and energy savings (smaller units and fewer units used when possible) and it saves paramedic teams for true advance life support emergencies. The use of PMD has become a best practice in emergency medical dispatching.

Medical Review [Concerns]:

Fiscal Concerns:

Educational Concerns:

Plan of Implementation:

Board Meeting Comments/Concerns:

The Board recommended that this be changed to a Recommended Goal as opposed to an Policy Change. In addition the Board asked that the other sections be completed prior to resubmission to the Board. For example have the MAC Committee present medical concerns in relation to this goal. Sent back to Committee for additional information on 5/9/2012.

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Department of Emergency Services Comments/Concerns:

Date of Department Response: _____