

**HEMS
SYSTEM**
Alternative EMS Response Team

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Section 8-31

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Purpose:

The purpose of the policy is to provide a protocol for the use of alternative EMS response, which includes but is not limited to bicycles, golf carts, and other non-traditional response modes in the HEMS (Western and Down River Wayne County) geographic service area when their use would be advantageous.

Procedure:

Any agency that wants to utilize an alternative EMS response team (Team) will carry at least all the equipment listed in this protocol. Staffing of the alternative EMS response team will not exceed the agency's HEMS MCA licensing level.

When responding to an emergency, the Team will ensure they are able to request a transport capable unit, to assure appropriate transport of the patient(s). If needed/requested, and upon arrival of a transport unit, the Team will give a complete report of the patient(s) condition(s) and treatment(s) to the transporting unit(s) and will follow the HEMS protocols. Mandatory communication capabilities include the ability for the Team to reach their agency's dispatch and to reach a medical control hospital (via HEMS Radio, E Bridge).

Equipment List:

MFR/BLS/Paramedic

- AED
- OB Kit
- Bleeding Control
- Assessment Supplies
- Oxygen/Oxygen supplies
- Airway management supplies
- Suction
- Communication device

Paramedic

- ECG Monitor/Defibrillator
- IV Kit