**EAST ALABAMA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, INC.**

**REGIONAL EMS AGENCY – FACT SHEET**

**WHAT IS A REGIONAL EMS AGENCY?**

A Regional EMS Agency is an organization under contract to the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) and its division, the Office of Emergency Medical Services & Trauma (OEMS&T). The Agency is responsible for planning, coordinating, and implementing emergency medical services within a defined area.

**WHAT IS OUR REGIONAL EMS AGENCY’S PURPOSE?**

East Alabama Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (EAEMS) serves as a resource agency to all EMS providers and related organizations within our defined area to facilitate EMS activities, and to reduce preventable mortality and morbidity caused by trauma, cardiovascular, and other emergency medical conditions.

**WHAT IS OUR DEFINED AREA?**

East Alabama EMS serves the following ten (10) counties:

 Calhoun Chambers Cherokee Clay Cleburne

 Coosa Etowah Randolph Talladega Tallapoosa

**WHO DO WE SERVE IN OUR AREA?**

East Alabama EMS serves such organizations, agencies, and institutions as:

Ambulance Services Rescue Squads Fire Departments

Industries Hospitals Aero-medical Services

Educational Institutions

**HOW MANY ORGANIZATIONS DO WE SERVE IN OUR REGION**

173 EMS Organizations

38 ALS (Advanced Life Support) Organizations

 3 BLS (Basic Life Support) Organizations

 29 Services which provide Transport

 12 Services which are Non- Transport

 128 First Responder Services (Volunteer Fire, Rescue Squads, etc)

 3 Industries which provide on-site Emergency Response Teams

 2 Aero- medical services (Stationed in Region 2)

12 Hospitals which provide On- Line Medical Direction

 2 Colleges which provide Basic and Paramedic Educational

 Programs

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**WHAT SERVICES DOES EAEMS PROVIDE IN OUR REGION?**

East Alabama EMS provides a variety of direct and indirect services to Agencies,

Organizations, and Institutions within our Region. The Agency and/or staff provide:

* Technical support, upon request, on matters relating to day-to–day operational Emergency Medical Services;
* Advice and consultation on subjects relating to all aspects of the major components of the effective EMS system;
* The necessary support to prepare and maintain a comprehensive strategic plan for all Emergency Medical Services;
* Liaisons support between the EMT’s and EMS organizations, and ADPH/OEMS.
* Staff support to effectively plan and implement all State EMS Rules and programs;
* Off-line Medical Direction to ensure effective and quality patient care through the development and implementation of a Continuous Quality Improvement Plan;
* A Regional Medical Direction and Accountability Plan which provides the common practice for all emergency medical response within the region;
* Equipment grants to EMS organizations which meet the eligibility requirements in accordance with the Regional EMS Strategic Plan and Administrative Policies;
* Education partnerships to plan, coordinate, and implement a comprehensive calendar of primary and continuing education offerings.
* Monthly Continuing Education offering.
* Monthly CPR Courses.

If you have questions or would like information concerning our Regional EMS Agency’s operations, please do not hesitate to contact me at 205.763.8400.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Blue, II, MPA

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