**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**BETWEEN**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Region Name) (hereinafter referred to as "REGION") and Designated Licensed Advanced Emergency Medical Service Providers (herein referred to as “Providers”) and First Responder Agencies in Region (hereinafter referred to as "First Responder")**

**Subject: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Name of Region)**

**Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) Cardiac Initiative**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) outlines the agreement between the REGION and/or the designated Licensed Advanced Emergency Medical Service Providers, and First Responder Agencies in the REGION regarding the implementation of the Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) Cardiac Initiative within the State of Alabama REGION \_\_\_\_ (insert Region #) counties.

**1. PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this MOU is to establish a formal agreement whereby the REGION, and/or the designated Licensed Advanced Emergency Medical Service Providers and designated First Responder Agencies in REGION, commit to actively participate in the implementation of the AED Cardiac Initiative. The initiative aims to enhance cardiac emergency response and improve outcomes by strategically placing and monitoring of patient quality outcomes Cardiac AEDs throughout REGION.

**Further that each First Responder Agency shall accept responsibility for their match share of 25% of the grant or $410.00 per unit.**

**2. RESPONSIBILITIES AND COMMITMENTS:**

a. **THE REGION agrees to**:

- Serve as the Regional Lead Agency to coordinate the AED Region-wide Cardiac Initiative, serve as grantee of the AED Cardiac Initiative as provided by the Alabama Council of Emergency Medical Services (ACEMS), funded by the Alabama Legislature.

- Provide training and education on AED usage, CPR, and other relevant cardiac emergency care to the Providers.

- Facilitate the distribution and quality compliance of AEDs throughout the REGION.

- Collaborate with the Providers and First Responders to establish a communication network and reporting system to track AED usage and outcomes.

- Serve as the data collection point to input, analyze, and report AED use to the Alabama Department of Public Health and others.

b. **THE REGION AND/OR ALS PROVIDERS agree to**:

- Serve as the local point of contact as the sub-grantee to issue the AED to the First Responder Agency.

- Designate and train personnel within their organizations as AED operators.

- Ensure the accountability of AED usage within their respective jurisdictions.

- Actively participate in the AED Cardiac Initiative by promptly responding to cardiac emergencies, utilizing AEDs when appropriate, and providing follow-up care as necessary.

- Collaborate with REGION and other Providers to share information, data, and best practices related to cardiac emergency response.

- Coordinate/Notify the First Responder Agency by formal dispatch system of cardiac events for emergency response by the First Responder Agency.

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**2. RESPONSIBILITIES AND COMMITMENTS: - CONTINUED**

c. **FIRST RESPONDERS agrees to:**

- Accept responsibility for their match share of 25% of the grant or $410.00 per unit.

- Designate and train personnel within their organizations as AED operators.

- Ensure the proper maintenance and availability of AEDs with our respective coverage area- jurisdictions.

- Actively participate in the AED Cardiac Initiative by promptly responding to cardiac emergencies, utilizing AEDs when appropriate, and providing follow-up care as necessary.

- Collaborate with REGION and other Providers to share information, data, and best practices related to cardiac emergency response.

- Commit to enter into formal contract with the ACEMS and Region for the payment of 25% match or $410.00 per unit.

**3. TERM AND TERMINATION:**

This MOU shall become effective on the date of signing and shall remain in effect for a period of three years, October 01, 2023 – September 30, 2025. Either party may terminate this agreement for cause with immediate effect if the other party fails to fulfill its obligations as outlined in this MOU.

**4. AMENDMENTS:**

Any amendments or modifications to this MOU shall be made in writing and require the mutual agreement of both parties.

**5. GOVERNING LAW:**

This MOU shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Alabama.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this Memorandum of Understanding as of the date first written below.

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John E. Blue, II, President Date

Alabama Council of Emergency Medical Services, Inc.

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Regional EMS Agency or Licensed Advanced Emergency Date

Medical Service Provider

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Date

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