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Professional Experience

Sunstar Paramedics

Chief Operating Officer, February 2018 to present

Leadership and oversight of all departments at Sunstar Paramedics including 730 employees and a fleet of 110 ambulances and support vehicles. Sunstar transported 189,372 total patients in 2019. Sunstar Paramedics is a Florida Governors Sterling Award recipient and is accredited by CAAS, NAEMD-ACE, and CAMTS.

Sunstar Paramedics

Chief Administrative Officer, June 2015 to February 2018

Reporting to the COO, assist with leadership and oversight of all departments at Sunstar Paramedics including 730 employees and a fleet of 108 ambulances and support vehicles. Sunstar transported 184,149 total patients in 2017.

Director of Logistics/Business Development, November 2013 to June 2015

Leadership and oversight of the materials, warehouse, and accounts payable/receivable departments at Sunstar Paramedics including 40 employees. Responsible for the purchase and distribution of over \$3.5 million in medical supplies annually. Identified and pursued potential new business in the high performance 911 ambulance service market. Lead and assisted with RFP response writing and new contract acquisition start up.

Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA)

Chief Operating Officer, March 2012 to November 2013

Leadership and oversight of all departments and divisions operated by Paramedics Plus in Oklahoma City, Tulsa and surrounding suburbs including 630 employees and a fleet of 100 ambulances and support vehicles. EMSA transported 143,600 patients in 2013. EMSA is accredited by CAAS and NAEMD-ACE.

Sunstar Paramedics

Director of Operations, April 2010 to March 2012

Leadership and oversight of the Sunstar Paramedics Operations, Scheduling, and Materials Departments totaling approximately 400 employees with an annual budget of \$13.2 million.

Various positions, October 2004 to April 2010

Other positions held at Sunstar Paramedics include: Administrative Supervisor - October 2009 to April 2010, Field Operations Supervisor - August 2006 to October 2009, Assistant Supervisor - December 2005 to August 2006, Field Training Officer September 2005 - August 2006, and Ambulance Paramedic - October 2004 August 2006.

Education

University of Texas at Tyler

M.B.A. in Healthcare Management, August 2015

Barry University Miami Shores, FL

M.S. in Occupational Therapy, May 2009

Malcolm X College Chicago, IL

Paramedic Certificate, September 2002

North Park University Chicago, IL

B.S. in Sports Medicine, May 2000

Credentials

- Advanced Cardiac Life Support Certification
- American Ambulance Association, Ambulance Service Manager Certificate
- Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers Certification
- Emergency Vehicle Operator Course Certification
- Federal Emergency Management Agency: ICS 100, 200, 300, 400, and IS 700
- Florida Licensed Paramedic and EMT
- Hazardous Materials Awareness Certification
- Illinois Firefighter II Certificate
- National Board Certified and Florida Licensed Occupational Therapist
- Six Sigma Yellow Belt Certification

Awards/Achievements

- American Ambulance Association, AMBY Award for best community impact program, 2019
- American Ambulance Association, AMBY Award for best process improvement, 2018
- American Ambulance Association, AMBY Award for best public relations campaign, 2017
- Leadership Pinellas Program, 2017
- Beta Gamma Sigma International Honor Society, 2015
- Pinellas County EMS and Fire Administration Certificate of Appreciation, 2014
- Pinellas County Commissioner John Morroni Award for First Responders, 2013

Volunteer Committees/Boards

- Florida Ambulance Association, President: 2018-present, Vice President: 2016-2018
- Clearwater Free Clinic, Board of Directors: 2017-present, Vice Chairman: 2019-present
- American Ambulance Association, Ethics Committee: 2018-present
- American Ambulance Association, Professional Standards Committee: 2017-present
- American Ambulance Association, Bylaws Committee: 2016-present
- Pinellas County EMS Advisory Council: 2015-present
- Pinellas County EMS Leadership Group: 2013-present