



20 June 2017

Mr. Craig Hare, Director
Pinellas County EMS and fire Administration
12490 Ulmerton Road, Suite 134
Largo, FL 33774

Dear Mr. Hare:

Please accept this letter as formal request for a change in our COPCN in accordance with Pinellas County Code Section 54, and F.S. Section 401.25.

Currently, a COPCN is in place through December 31 of 2017 for "Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital - LifeLine/Med-Trans West for Advanced Life Support Helicopter and Ground Ambulance Service for Interhospital Transport of Neonatal and Critical Care Pediatric Patients." We would respectfully request changes in the COPCN as follows:

- The Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital (JHACH) LifeLine program provides both air and ground services through a dedicated fleet of four ambulances, as well as a helicopter which is positioned at the hospital. The helicopter is part of a hybrid contract between JHACH and Med-Trans West in which Med-Trans provides the avionics (aircraft, pilots and mechanic) and JHACH provides medical crew and program oversight.
- In 2016 LifeLine requested a single COPCN which was granted in the names of both providers.
- However, as we have communicated with the State of Florida to obtain EMS permits for these vehicles, we have learned that the vehicle owner must match the applicant, and this must match the county COPCN.
- Our error was in requesting a combined COPCN. We are requesting two separate COPCNs with identical missions be issued in order to match the Florida permit stickers to the program vehicle.
 - Johns Hopkins All Children's LifeLine
 - Med-Trans West

Please let me know if you are in need of any further information. I appreciate your continued assistance and support of our program and the children who are helped by our services.

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