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To: Frankfort & Franklin County Citizens, Healthcare Providers, and General Public
From: Joe Sebastian, EMS Director
CC: Frankfort & Franklin County Emergency 911 Center

Frankfort Fire and EMS staff 4 front line ALS ambulances for the City and County of Frankfort. Our staff is dual certified as EMTs/Paramedics and professional firefighters. We respond to 8200 EMS calls per year. The Fire department will provide emergent transfers out of town transfers for Frankfort Regional Medical Center's Emergency Department based on the availability of an ambulance.

We provide some scheduled non-emergent transfers based on the medical necessity that start and terminate within Franklin County. These transfers require a PCS form (Physician Certification Statement) to be completed before the transfer by the patient's Physician. Once obtained, one would contact Frankfort's Emergency Dispatch Center to request the scheduling of the transfer. The phone number to schedule no emergency transfers is (502)875-8550.

After a review of the patient's PCS form, our provider may provide the patient or caregiver with an ABN (Advanced Beneficiary Notice of Noncoverage) form. This is an official notice that in the event insurance does not cover the cost of the ambulance transfer; based on the documented medical necessity indicated by the physician; then the financial liability would be passed to the patient.

Once the transfer has been scheduled, the transfers will be completed and based on the availability of an ambulance. As a 911 service, we are obligated to make the emergency response to emergency calls, thus emergency calls being our highest priority followed by emergent transfers, and then scheduled transfers.

The PCS Form and ABN form may be downloaded from our website.

You may direct your transfer questions to our EMS Director, Joe Sebastian at 502-875-8511.