



2. The Board hereby recognizes the air Ambulance Service located within the county, which is licensed by the state of Colorado, but which, consistent with Medicare coverage requirements, is used only when a patient's medical condition requires immediate and rapid transportation that could not be provided by ground ambulance, and thus does not affect ground Ambulance Services within the County.

3. No other Ambulance Service located within 35 miles of Melissa Memorial Hospital and Haxtun Health may transport patients from hospitals located in the County.

D. Operation Without Authorization. Ambulance providers based outside the County may deliver patients to locations within the County when medically appropriate and may assist in mass casualty and similar emergent situations when requested by the County, emergency authorities or licensed ambulance operators based in the County.

E. Limitations on Licensed Ambulance Services. Notwithstanding any current or future licensee's authorization to operate Ambulance Services within the County, Holyoke EMS is the only ground Ambulance Service located within 35 miles of Melissa Memorial Hospital that is authorized by the Board to transport patients from Melissa Memorial Hospital to other locations within or without the County. Furthermore, Haxtun Ambulance Service is the only ground Ambulance Service located within 35 miles of Haxtun Hospital authorized by the Board to transport patients from Haxtun Hospital to other locations within or without the County. Provided, however, that the County will have full legal authority to exercise emergency response mutual aid agreements with other surrounding emergency response agencies, including without limitation air Ambulance Service providers and enter into arrangements as needed for the health and safety of the residents and visitors of the County.

F. Ambulance License Required. On and after July 1, 2024, no person or agency, private or public, shall transport a patient from or to any point within the County in an ambulance to any point within or outside the County unless the person or agency holds a valid license issued by the State of Colorado pursuant to C.R.S.A. § 25-3.5-314.

G. Legacy Clause. If, on or after July 1, 2024, the Board relinquishes its authority to regulate ambulance services within the County to the state of Colorado by submitting an "opt out" form as required by the state of Colorado, this Resolution shall remain in full force in effect unless the Board determines otherwise through a written resolution.

H. Interpretation of Terms. Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Resolution Concerning Ambulance Services And Emergency Medical Services.

**THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS, ON A MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED, ADOPTED THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2024, BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD OF PHILLIPS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.**

ATTEST:

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