Grant County Fire Protection District 3

POLICY AND PROCEDURE

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1. NUMBER: 2.1.02

2. SUBJECT: ***Service Delivery Level - Emergency Medical Services***

3. POLICY: Grant County Fire District 3 will provide emergency medical services as described in this Policy and Procedure.

   The policy of the District shall not prevent personnel from providing Good Samaritan service outside the District pursuant to RCW 4.24.300 and 310.

4. SCOPE: This Policy and Procedure is applicable to all personnel of Grant County Fire District 3.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES:

   A. It shall be the responsibility of the Board of Commissioners and the District Fire Chief to enforce this policy and procedure.

6. PROCEDURE:

   A. All employees of the District shall have basic first-aid training and a valid first-aid card approved by the Department of Labor and Industries or equivalent training.

   B. No personnel of the District shall perform medical services on any patient at the scene of an emergency within the District unless such personnel shall have been dispatched to the scene by the District dispatch center or other authorized District personnel or unless the person is acting pursuant to established District procedures.

   C. No District personnel may engage in the performance of medical procedures, the furnishing of medical services or the supplying of medical advice within the confines of any medical clinic or physician's office unless the facility at such time constitutes the scene of a medical emergency.

   D. No personnel of the District shall perform medical services on any patient at the scene of an emergency or during authorized emergency transportation of the patient in excess of the level of medical services that such individual has been trained to provide and is currently licensed or certified to provide.

   E. No personnel of the District shall respond to a direct personal request for medical treatment or advice unless approved and authorized by the District or its dispatch center.

F. The District retains emergency medical service personnel, including personnel qualified and licensed by the State of Washington as Emergency Medical Technicians and First Responders to provide services for the District. The services which may be provided by the District are defined in RCW 18.73.030(11) as follows:

> *"emergency medial care' or 'emergency medical service' means such medical treatment and care which may be rendered at the scene of any medical emergency or while transporting any patient in an ambulance to an appropriate medical facility, including ambulance transportation between medical facilities."*

The District is not authorized to provide emergency medical services within a medical clinic or physician's office unless such location constitutes the scene of a medical emergency.

G. Fire engines operated by Grant County Fire District 3 are licensed as Basic Life Support Vehicles.

H. Grant County Fire District 3 is licensed as a Verified Trauma Service.