



# Milwaukee County Association of Fire Chiefs



February 7, 2014

The Honorable Mayer Thomas Taylor, Chairman  
Milwaukee County Intergovernmental Cooperation Council  
9229 West Loomis Road  
Franklin, WI 53132

Dear Chairman Taylor,

This letter is being sent on behalf of the Milwaukee County Association of Fire Chiefs (MCAFC) for information purposes. Attached please find a list of new rates that the MCAFC voted to recommend to their municipalities for Advanced Life Support (ALS) services.

Please note the following:

These rates were adjusted by 1.4% which is the change in the Medical Care Commodities and Medical Care Service CPI for 2013.

These proposed rates were reviewed by a number of the billing agencies used by the providers and deemed to be within reasonable limits for acceptable rates.

The strategy of raising rates to increase revenues as a means of covering cost of the service is becoming less effective, specifically because additional revenue capture from Medicare and Medicaid is non-existent, unless new types of services are provided.

As you are aware, the current contract with Milwaukee County does not require ICC approval of these rates as it has in the past. Each fire chief that provides ALS services will be taking these proposed rates for approval in accordance with their local approval process.

Respectfully,

Tim Saidler, President

***Representing Fire Chiefs from:***

- Cudahy – Hales Corners – Franklin – Greendale – Greenfield – Milwaukee –***
- Milwaukee County Airport – North Shore – Oak Creek – South Milwaukee –***
- St. Francis – Wauwatosa – West Allis – Wisconsin Air National Guard –***