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Memorandum

To: Leon W. Todd, Executive Director

From: Barbara Cooley, Research and Policy Analyst

Date: April 28, 2025

RE: MFD SOG CR-200 Proactive Community Risk Reduction Program
EMS SOG Exposure Plan – Communicable Disease Exposure Reporting Policy

MFD SOG CR-200 Proactive Community Risk Reduction Program

This SOG updates guidelines for MFD's existing program for installation of smoke detectors in Milwaukee residences, as follows:

- The smoke alarm installation section has been reworded to better clarify the expectations for the field companies, yet the number expected to be installed remains consistent with the prior directive.
- More oversight responsibilities were added to the Battalion Chief level of supervision.
- A better flow of information was created, including a general building graphic for installing smoke alarms.

From the SOG, the program's goals are:

- Physically visit every single and multi-family residence in the City of Milwaukee (an expanded version of FOCUS [*Firefighters Out Creating Urban Safety*]) every five (5) years for the purpose of installing needed 10-year lithium-ion battery powered smoke alarms as a tool for fire risk reduction.
- Expand fire education outreach for more visibility in the neighborhoods. Companies will work to develop and maintain positive relationships with neighborhood associations, schools,

churches, and local businesses in their AOR [*Area of Responsibility*], offering public education through open houses and neighborhood event visits.

Program expectations:

- The expectation is that every engine, every truck, and every rescue company will install smoke alarms (per City Ordinance and NFPA 29.8), in 15 single or multi-family residences per week, with the further expectation that the 3 platoons would divide the 15 equally, into 5 per shift.

Public Education Activity Expectations

- The expectation is that every company will average three company-initiated community relations activities every month. These company-initiated activities **are in addition to** any assigned by the department's Community Relations Section.

EMS SOG Exposure Plan – Communicable Disease Exposure Reporting Policy

This is an update of a policy initially released in November 1991 and previously updated in October 2023. No significant policy changes were made in this update.

The policy “outlines the procedure for reporting possible exposure and initiating evaluation/treatment for members who potentially may have been exposed to a communicable disease.”

The plan also lists vaccines available to MFD personnel at no personal expense, and includes a provision for opting out of any vaccines not required for sworn members nor by any clinical settings.

- The policy was streamlined and rearranged for better flow.
- A checklist was added, which is to be printed and laminated for carrying on every MED unit.