



CITY OF NICHOLS HILLS

EMSA Board of Trustees
1111 Classen Drive
Oklahoma City, OK 73103

RE: Memorandum of Understanding

Board of Trustees:

Please find enclosed two copies of the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Nichols Hills and Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA).

Please have signatures of your Chairperson and Secretary in the appropriate places to bind this agreement. Return one original to me and keep one for your files. Note the City of Nichols Hills approved this agreement on July 13, 2021.

Please do not hesitate to call me at 405-843-6637 with any questions.

Respectfully,

Amanda Copeland
City Clerk

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN
THE CITY OF NICHOLS HILLS AND EMSA**

The City of Nichols Hills, an Oklahoma municipality, (Nichols Hills) and the Emergency Management Services Authority (EMSA), an Oklahoma public trust, agree to enter into this Agreement, for the reasons and purposes set forth below.

WHEREAS, the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) is a public trust organized pursuant to Title 60 Oklahoma Statutes, Section 176 et seq., of which the City of Tulsa and The City of Oklahoma City are joint beneficiary jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Amended and Restated Trust Indenture of Emergency Medical Services Authority provides that there should be two divisions, the "Eastern Division" (i.e., communities east of Stroud) and the "Western Division" (i.e., communities west of Stroud); and

WHEREAS, Nichols Hills desires to provide professional quality and timely emergency services to its residents and citizens, including professional ambulance services; and

WHEREAS, the parties agree that since EMSA serves several municipalities in the Oklahoma City area, the quality of emergency medical services (EMS) should not depend upon municipal boundary lines; and

WHEREAS, on June 12, 1990, Nichols Hills entered into the EMS Interlocal Agreement with EMSA as a non-beneficiary participant in the EMS provided by EMSA; and

WHEREAS, since June 1990, EMSA and The City of Nichols Hills, except during the recent Covid-19 Pandemic and the transition of services from AMR to EMSA, have for the most part enjoyed a mutually beneficial relationship; and

WHEREAS, Nichols Hills desires to continue in that relationship subject to certain mutual understandings about the emergency medical services to be provided by EMSA to the non-beneficiary community of Nichols Hills as set forth in this Memorandum of Understanding.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and promises contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows.

1. EMSA agrees to respond with lights and sirens to emergency service calls initially classified as Priority 2 calls under the dispatching system approved by the State and the Medical Director.
2. EMSA, to the fullest extent possible in line with its overall mission and subject to demands on the system from time to time, agrees to place a Basic Life Support (BLS) vehicle/truck primarily in a dedicated location near the Nichols Hills City Hall and Fire Station. Further, in addition to, and in the event that Nichols Hills desires a BLS or ALS vehicle/truck dedicated to Nichols Hills, EMSA will engage in discussions

with Nichols Hills toward meeting Nichols Hills' expectations.

3. EMSA agrees to increase its communication with non-beneficiary participants regarding untimely responses to Priority 1 responses if by more than two (2) minutes to include providing an action plan response to address the circumstances that allowed it to happen.
4. EMSA agrees to increase its communication with Nichols Hills, and other non-beneficiary participants regarding untimely responses to Priority 2 calls as assigned by dispatch in the event the responses are delayed by more than five (5) minutes to include providing an action plan response to address the circumstances that allowed the delayed response to happen and will include a periodic review of the impact placing a BLS truck in the vicinity of Nichols Hills has on response times.
5. EMSA agrees to increase threshold response time requirement from 75% to 80% for joint Priority 1 and Priority 2 calls.
6. As required by the Interlocal Agreement, Nichols Hills agrees to amend Chapter 18 of the Nichols Hills Municipal Code to conform to the Uniform EMS Ordinances as amended and adopted by the Beneficiary Jurisdictions from time to time, to include the updated and adopted response times.

APPROVED by the Council and signed by the Mayor of the City of Nichols Hills, Oklahoma, this 13th day of July, 2021.

ATTEST:

Amanda Copeland
City Clerk

By: [Signature]
Mayor

REVIEWED for form and legality.

[Signature]
City Attorney



APPROVED by the Trustees and signed by the Chairman of the Emergency Medical Services Authority this ____ day of _____, 2021.

ATTEST:

Secretary

By: _____
Chairman