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### **EMS PREPARES FOR THE ARENA**

(Sedgwick County, Kan.) – Sedgwick County EMS paramedics are heading back to the classroom ... at the INTRUST Bank Arena.

Any location where crowds gather can be a challenge for emergency responders; seating configurations, angles, ingress and egress create a learning opportunity for emergency responders, including EMS.

If a guest experiences a medical emergency during an event, Sedgwick County EMS is learning how to most efficiently and effectively reach and treat the patient.

Sedgwick County EMS will be on site during events at the arena. Any crew working an event will have completed the mandatory training that includes:

- Mobilizing patients who are seated in various sections and levels throughout the arena using new extrication equipment
- Orientation and logistics training within and around the arena
- Reviewing general patient care within the new requirements of the facility

After tomorrow's session, approximately 60 EMS employees will have completed the training.

The crews in training are an interesting sight to see. Any media personnel interested in taking photos or video of this training may do so between 3 and 5 p.m., December 22 at the INTRUST Bank Arena inside the bowl. Only photos or footage of this training will be permitted at this time; opportunities for photos and footage of other areas throughout the arena will be available on December 28.

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