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EMS Receives National Accreditation

(Sedgwick County, Kan.) – Sedgwick County EMS recently received accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services (CAAS) for compliance with national standards of excellence. Sedgwick County EMS is one of 178 ambulance services in the country and one of two accredited agencies in the state of Kansas.

"Accreditation represents our firm commitment to our patients and community," said EMS Director Scott Hadley. "We continuously strive to do our best and we view accreditation as another step toward excellence."

CAAS is a non-profit organization which encourages and promotes high quality patient care in America's medical transportation system. This is accomplished through national standards which not only address the delivery of patient care, but also the ambulance service's total operation and its relationship with other agencies, the general public, and the medical community. These standards often exceed state or local licensing requirements. The voluntary review process includes completion of a comprehensive application and on-site review by national experts in the field.

"Our staff has been key to our successful completion of this process. We take pride working in an accredited ambulance service," said Hadley. "Everyone here played a valuable role in our ability to meet the Commission on Accreditation's high standards. This accreditation will serve as a stimulus for continued improvement."

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