



# SENECA COUNTY Emergency Medical Service



**Subject:** Soft Billing of Seneca County EMS volunteers

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## **Purpose:**

To outline the policy for the soft billing of Seneca County EMS volunteers and their immediate families.

## **Background & Definition:**

In the event that a Seneca County EMS volunteer, or immediate family member requires transportation to a local hospital in a Seneca County EMS ambulance; Seneca County will bill the insurance company of the member, but will waive any remaining charges after the insurance company has paid all that they will pay. This method of billing shall be known as "softbilling".

## **Policies**

The policy of soft billing is meant as a benefit or incentive to the volunteer EMS provider of Seneca County EMS.

The member must be in good standing with his/her local squad.

The immediate family is defined by the Federal Tax code, and includes the member, the members spouse, any dependant children that reside in the same residence as the member of Seneca County EMS.

## **Procedure**

Seneca County EMS or its billing agent shall bill the insurance carrier of the member or qualified individual for the total cost of the EMS run.

The remainder of ambulance charges will be waived and written off by Seneca County EMS.

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