



**MEDICAL CONTROL POLICY STATEMENT/ADVISORY**

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**SAGINAW CITY FIRE RESPONSE TO  
CARDIAC ARRESTS**

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ALL PROVIDERS AND DISPATCH PERSONNEL:

Effective May 1, 2018, the Saginaw City Fire Department will be dispatched for manpower to all suspected or confirmed cardiac arrests within the city limits.

Once a cardiac arrest is suspected or confirmed, Saginaw Central will dispatch the Saginaw City Fire Department for manpower assistance. This will usually occur after MPDS is initiated by MEDCOM, but may be initiated by Saginaw Central in obvious cases.

This activation process differs from the cardiac arrest activation of other non-medical departments because the dispatcher/call-taker is making the request rather than the responding ambulance crew.

To be clear, activations in these cases does not alter or amend any other policy/procedure for cardiac response. Saginaw Fire is sent to provide early defibrillation and CPR. Although they may be able to accompany a crew to the hospital, they must continue to be available if needed for a fire response.

Questions, please contact our office.

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