EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COMMISSION



Approved Mobile Integrated Healthcare Programs in Indiana

- 1. Pursuant to IC 16-31-12-3, the Indiana EMS Commission will consider applications for mobile integrated healthcare programs (MIHP) for either approval of existing programs or approval of implementation of new programs after adoption of this policy. If a program is contingent upon grant funding, the provider organization may still apply for MIHP approval noting that.
- 2. While this application and approval process does not prohibit functions of mobile integrated health, it does recognize approved MIH programs that would be eligible for reimbursement opportunities and grants.

 Preference will be given to programs that have a community purpose and will be fully integrated with staffing, education, and protocols versus performing just a function of mobile integrated healthcare.
- 3. While an approved MIHP may be any form of program that is community-based and outside the normal transport model, examples of acceptable programs include:
 - a. Hospital dismissal/post discharge follow -up and readmission prevention
 - b. Post -response follow up for certain emergencies (such as diabetic or overdose)
 - c. Diabetic counseling and monitoring
 - d. Chronic disease management
 - e. Decreased utilization of EMS by high frequency patients
 - f. Substance abuse mitigation
 - g. Mental illness mitigation
 - h. OB/newborn management programs
 - i. Elderly management programs including falls
 - j. Immunization and vaccination initiatives
- 4. A certified EMS provider organization or EMS supervising hospital requesting approval of a MIHP shall apply through process and application in format developed by the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) EMS section. Said application may include:
 - a. Name of organization
 - b. Address of organization
 - c. Primary telephone of organization
 - d. Name of official in charge of the MIHP for the organization
 - e. Contact information of official in charge of MIHP
 - f. Medical director overseeing the MIHP
 - g. Type of MIHP initiatives being offered
 - h. Provider list of individuals providing the MIHP services
 - i. Written procedures or protocols for MIHP operations
 - j. Additional training requirements for the MIHP providers, if any
 - k. Goals, outcomes and measurement of value of the MIHP
- 5. The following review process will be followed for applications (consistent with IC16-31-12-3):
 - a. Initial applications completed by applicant organizations and submitted via process outlined by IDHS.

- b. IDHS staff will review the applications and may request additional information from the applicant about the MIHP.
- c. The Mobile Integrated Healthcare Committee will review the application and consider the recommendation of IDHS staff before making a recommendation of approval or denial to the EMS Commission.
- d. The MIH Committee shall make its recommendation to the EMS Commission which has 90 days to accept or deny the application. The EMS Commission may also impose any requirements, such a reporting information, or other recommendations for implementation of each of individual MIH program.
- 6. Once approved, the MIHP approval shall run concurrent with the EMS provider organization certification, which may be amended by IDHS to gain updated program information and other reports as requested by the EMS Commission. If the EMS Commission adopts a formal MIHP certification in the future, then an approved MIHP would need to convert to the new certification within the time frame designated by the Indiana EMS Commission.

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