



General Order

Department of Fire & EMS

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Subject: Response profile: ALS Chase units (EMS-101-103)

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Effective at 1700 hours this date (2/28/24) the following response profile shall be in effect for the ALS Chase Units designated as (EMS-101, 102, 103.) Our objective with this change is to assure system continuity and to allow the most effective/expeditious ALS delivery as warranted by incident type/acuity. This measure will remain in effect until FY-25 (July of 2024) when staffing parameters are anticipated to change. Any previous response profiles are now rescinded.

1. ALS chase Units (EMS-101, 102, 103) shall be dispatched wherever an ALS unit is due, and their location makes them the first due ALS unit.
2. A second unit (ALS transport) will no longer be dispatched with the ALS chase unit if it is first due ALS.
3. There is an expectation that the ALS chase unit will upgrade a BLS transport unit to an ALS unit where/when required if they are the first due ALS unit.
4. The ALS chase unit will still retain its high acuity response profile in addition to an ALS transport unit where appropriate and determined by the EMD dispatch profile currently in effect.
5. Flexibility and common sense shall prevail in unique situations where CAD shows an ALS chase unit due but there is an ALS transport unit closer.
6. (Example) EMS-103 is at the PSTC for supplies and A-149 is dispatched on a chest pain call. EMS-103 will verbalize an extended ETA and the ECC would then dispatch the next due ALS transport (M-129). EMS-103 would then cancel unless the EMD identified it as a "critical" high acuity call which requires a second ALS (chase car level)