




Interoffice Memorandum

AGENDA ITEM

TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings  
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County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: **March 8, 2022 – Work Session**  
Chapter 20, Article III, Orange County Code  
Emergency and Nonemergency Medical Care and Transportation  
Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN)

Orange County's EMS/Office of the Medical Director ("EMS") has received several applications for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity ("COPCN") since April 2019. COPCNs are required for a person or business to provide emergency medical care and/or transportation services in Orange County. The COPCN application process is described in Chapter 20, Article III of the Orange County Code. Following a public hearing on an application for a COPCN held by the Orange County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") on August 6, 2019, the Board requested that staff evaluate certain issues in the current COPCN application process. The Board held a discussion on this item on October 12, 2021 that produced further direction.

On March 8, 2022, EMS will present an overview of the current process, certain issues identified in the process, and recommended modifications. The purpose of the presentation is to seek the Board's input on the items presented and to provide recommendations for Board consideration and direction.

This item is for informational purposes only; no action is required.

Attachments

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