

### Please Help Us Help You

The Keystone Valley Fire Department Ambulance thanks you for your generous support. We depend on you. It is with your continued support that we are able to provide the finest EMS care.

By donating now, you become a subscriber to Keystone Valley Fire Department Ambulance. You are not only supporting our ability to provide lifesaving equipment but also ensuring that you will not incur bills that go uncovered by your insurance provider.

The members of Keystone Valley Fire Department Ambulance thank you for your continued support.

## **IMPORTANT FACTS**

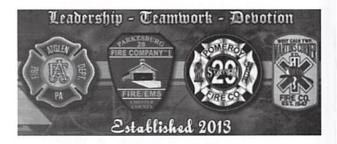
- We provide Ambulance services to the Borough of Parkesburg, Pomeroy, Highland Township, West Sadsbury Township and Sadsbury Township.
- We respond to over 1,200 ambulance calls each year.
- Our Ambulances are fully equipped with state-of-the-art equipment.
- Volunteers supplemented by paid Staff on-duty 24 hours a day/7 days a week.

KEYSTONE VALLEY
FIRE DEPARTMENT

www.kvfd8.com

329 West First Avenue Parkesburg, PA 19365 Billing Questions: 888-767-4550

Subscription Membership is in effect from receipt of subscription until March 31, 2023.



#### **IMPORTANT NOTE!**

When reporting a fire or emergency

**Dial 9 - 1 - 1** 

Be sure to give the address of the emergency as accurately as possible including:

- The Homeowner Name
- Street Location
- Nearest Cross Street

Do not hang up until the dispatcher confirms your message.

## Third Party Billing Program

# WHAT IS THIRD PARTY BILLING?

Third Party Billing is a program that provides reimbursement for hospitals, physicians and ambulance services. The reimbursement is based on services rendered to patients either in the hospital, or before the patient reaches the hospital. In some cases, insurance companies and government programs, such as Medicare, may reimburse some portion of the ambulance charges.

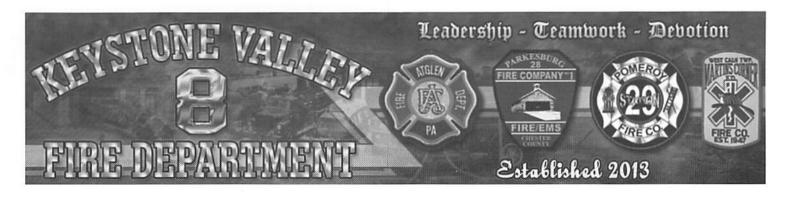
# WHY SHOULD I BE A SUBSCRIBER IF I HAVE MEDICARE OR OTHER INSURANCE?

Your subscription assures that you will not receive any additional bills for emergency ambulance service regardless of your insurance coverage. (Medicare and most insurance plans will not cover 100% of the bills incurred for ambulance services.)

# HOW DOES THIRD PARTY BILLING WORK?

Every time one of our subscribers uses the ambulance, we will submit a bill directly to the insurance company or Medicare. By obtaining funds this way, we will be able to keep the subscription rates low and still provide the highest quality emergency ambulance service. Even if an insurance company will not pay a bill. SUBSCRIBERS WILL NOT BE CHARGED FOR THE SERVICE PROVIDED BY KEYSTONE VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT.

"The official registration and financial information of Keystone Valley Fire Department may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll from within Pennsylvania, 1 (800) 732 0999. Registration does not ungly endoncement."



To the Residents of Parkesburg Borough, Highland Township, West Sadsbury Township, and Sadsbury Township,

KVFD EMS, your Ambulance service, and the communities we serve are going to be severely impacted due to the actions of Tower Health and the closures of Brandywine & Jennersville Hospitals. Over 63% of our transports have been to Brandywine Hospital over the past few years. With the closures, KVFD will be forced to ransport all our patients to hospitals further outside our coverage area. In no particular order those hospitals we primarily transport to are Chester County Hospital, Paoli Hospital and Lancaster General Hospital. There are at least (14) other EMS organizations in the western/southern part of Chester County that too operate multiple ambulances every day to maintain their level of services and at times we depend on as our mutual aid partners and vise versa. Without the closures of these two hospitals our EMS agencies were already enduring long wait times at all hospitals to transfer patient care and for us to back on the road to be available in our coverage area.

To get to these three hospitals, CCH, PMH & LGH, it takes us an average of 31-41 minutes just per transport, leaving the scene to arrival at the hospital and our turn around time, averages 47 to 61 minutes. To put that in perspective, our average transport time to Brandywine Hospital was 15 minutes and our turn around time was around 25 minutes which included the long wait times to transfer care.

Our EMS Leadership Team, Fire Chief & Board of Directors are formulating plans to do everything in our power to make sure our daily operations and dedicated services continue. We are also working with the KVFD Fire District along with our local municipalities and the EMS council and Fire Chiefs Association concerning this situation.

Please keep an eye out on our website, www.kvfd8.com, for updated information as it becomes available.

Thank you, The Officers & Members of Keystone Valley Fire Dept.



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#### AUTHORIZATION

I authorize that payment of authorized Medicare Benefits or other insurance benefits be made on my behalf for any services furnished by this health service provider or supplier. I authorize any holder of medical information or documentation about me to release to the Health Care Financing Administration and its carrier and agents, as well as this health service provider, any information or documentation needed to determine these benefits or benefits payable for any services provided to me by this health service provider now or in the future. I understand that I am financially responsible for the services provided to me or my family members by this health service provider or supplier regardless of my insurance coverage. I request that payment of authorized Medicare or other insurance benefits be made on my behalf to the health service provider or supplier or its billing agent for any services provided to me by the health provider or supplier. I authorize and direct any holder of medical information or documentation about me to release to the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services and its carriers and agents, as well as to this health provider or supplier and their billing agents, any information or documentation needed to determine these benefits payable for any services provided to me by the health service provider, both now or in the future. A copy of this form is as valid as the original. I also agree to immediately remit to this health service provider any payments that I receive directly from any source for the services provided to me, now or in the future.

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