



## UNYAN Priorities

### UNYAN MEMBERS

Alamo Ambulance  
AmCare Ambulance  
Bangs Ambulance  
Citywide Mobile Response  
Cooperstown Medical Transport  
Emergacare NY  
Emergency Ambulance Service  
Empire Ambulance  
Erway Ambulance  
Finger Lakes Ambulance  
First Response Ambulance  
Guilfoyle Ambulance Service, Inc.  
Hudson Valley Paramedic Svcs.  
Hunter Ambulance  
Kunkel Ambulance  
Lifeline Ambulance Service, Inc.  
Medical Transport Service, Inc.  
Midwood Ambulance  
Mobile Life Support  
Mobilemedic EMS  
Mohawk Ambulance Service  
Monroe Ambulance  
NDP/EMS  
Oswego County Ambulance  
Primary Care Ambulance  
Richmond County Ambulance  
Rockland Mobile Care  
Rural/Metro - Central New York  
Rural/Metro - Corning  
Rural/Metro - Rochester  
Rural/Metro - Western New York  
Schenectady Ambulance  
Seaway Valley Ambulance  
Senior Care EMS  
Superior Ambulance Service Inc.  
TLC EMS  
Trans Am Ambulance  
TransCare  
Twin City Ambulance  
WCA Services

*The United New York Ambulance Network (UNYAN) represents proprietary ambulance transportation services across New York State. Comprised of 40 commercial ambulance companies, UNYAN's members employ nearly 5,000 New Yorkers and provide emergency medical care and transportation service to over 14 million people in urban, suburban and rural areas throughout New York.*

### Medicaid Rate Reform

A6674 (Gottfried) will bring real reform to the Medicaid ambulance reimbursement program and reimburse providers in accordance with a fair and equitable statewide fee schedule rather than the current county-by-county approach. This bill would institute the Medicare Fee Schedule as the basis for ambulance reimbursements for Medicaid. This has been and will continue to be our top priority. We have proposed a number of possible cost saving initiatives to the DOH Medicaid office which may, to a large part, minimize the financial impact of such a reimbursement change to the State.

### HIV Testing for Occupational Exposures

S3293 (Duane) would facilitate authorization for discrete HIV testing of unconscious or deceased patients in the unfortunate incidence of certain exposure of emergency service workers in the line of duty. When an accidental exposure occurs, time is of the essence to determine if HIV transmission is a legitimate concern and anti-viral treatment is immediately necessary.

### Move Over Act

There are several pieces of legislation which would accomplish the end goal of safety of emergency service workers on the roadways. These bills would require drivers, whenever possible, to change lanes or slow down when approaching an emergency vehicles on the side of the road.

### Homeland Security

A recent report from New York University Center for Catastrophe Preparedness and Response identified "critical deficits in the role and organization of EMS services in homeland security preparedness." Commercial ambulance providers are not eligible for Federal and State grant programs and are rarely involved in the emergency planning efforts.

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