

Established 1933

*“Not For Self,
But For Others”*



**Burholme Emergency
Medical Service**

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(BEMS) is the oldest pre-hospital ambulance in Philadelphia established in 1933. In the early years, BEMS provided first aid and emergency transportation from local parks like Fairmont Park and Burholme Park. Today, BEMS is a professionally managed and operated pre-hospital agency. Emergency services continues to be our primary mission along with community paramedicine services. We operate a fleet of three advanced life support units, one ALS responder unit and one community paramedic unit. Our service area includes over 100,000 households in the fourth largest EMS system in the country.

24/7/365 Emergency Service

**Serving
Philadelphia
& Montgomery
Counties**

Award-Winning Service

BEMS was named a 2015 EMS Agency of the Year Award winner by the Pennsylvania Emergency Health Services Council and PA Department of Health/Bureau of EMS. BEMS is a premier prehospital care service in the Philadelphia region and has been answering emergency calls for eighty-plus uninterrupted years.

Our staff includes dedicated and committed health-care professionals performing basic and advanced life support interventions. Services range from spinal immobilization, splinting fractured bones, and applying oxygen, to aggressive airway management, intravenous fluids and medication administration, cardiac monitoring, and EKG transmission to local hospitals.



Community Paramedicine



Community Paramedicine (CP) is a new and evolving model of community-based health care in which paramedics function in a non-emergent setting to assist the medical needs of residents we serve in the community. This mobile-integrated health program benefits residents by community paramedics being the “patient navigator” to proper wellness visits and making sure each patient maintains a healthy, safe lifestyle. Wellness visits are pre-scheduled and on as-needed basis. The CP team takes the time to get to know the patient’s health—obtaining vital signs as well as performing medication reconciliation and interaction with the patient’s physicians.

CP is the future of pre-hospital medicine. As patient advocates, paramedics are finding ways for patients to ultimately reduce frequent hospital admissions and assisting individuals in maintaining a safe, healthy lifestyle. Burholme EMS partners with local health-care networks to make this innovative program available to residents in our community who need it most.

Training Services

BEMS provides American Heart Association (AHA) courses in basic and health care-level first aid, CPR, and emergency medical responder and technician-level certifications. We also provide advanced training classes, including advanced cardiovascular life support (ACLS) and pediatric advanced life support (PALS).



Community Outreach

Community outreach is paramount with our service. We take various opportunities to connect with our neighbors to educate and provide awareness on the critical role of EMS in the community. A variety of programs – from CPR/first aid to emergency preparedness – are offered throughout the year to both organizations and individuals. BEMS has a number of staff instructors certified in many specialties who provide these educational opportunities.

We are actively engaged with schools, faith-based groups and civic organizations in providing on-site EMS staffing for events, such as local sports games, Special Olympic events, community parades and regatta events. BEMS team of EMTs and paramedics are also often present at many area health and wellness fairs, providing both demonstrations and health screenings.

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By Pennsylvania Dept of Health Bureau of EMS and Pennsylvania Emergency Health Services Council

