

Emmet County News Release

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Emmet County EMS 2019 Assure Membership Drive Underway

Residents living in Emmet County and parts of Charlevoix and Cheboygan counties should soon be receiving a brochure in the mail on Emmet County Emergency Management Services' Assure program.

Each year, the county EMS offers membership in the cost-savings Assure program for those in its service area. Some benefits of Assure membership include no out-of-pocket expense for medically-necessary ambulance service to the nearest facility as well as basic and advanced life support services while in transit.

For a one-time annual fee, all members receive the peace of mind knowing the entire cost of ambulance services is covered, after insurance or if one has no insurance. Cost of annual membership is \$55 for an individual and \$65 for a family or couple. Those participating in the Assure program last year receive \$5 off for renewing a membership.

Emmet County EMS has a highly-qualified group of paramedics, including eight persons on staff who are certified in critical care emergency medical transport services able to handle the most serious situations.

Membership in the Assure program is not a replacement for insurance. It is intended only to cover the cost of ambulance service not covered by a person's insurance, Medicare or for those without insurance. Persons receiving Medicaid are not eligible.

The program is open to all residents living within the Emmet County EMS service which includes all of Emmet County, parts of Chandler Township and Melrose Township in Charlevoix County, and Mackinac Township and parts of Hebron Township in Cheboygan County. Contact the Emmet County EMS billing department at (231) 776-1002 to confirm eligibility.

If you do not receive a membership form in the mail within the next two weeks, the form can also be downloaded online at emmetcountyems.org/membership/.