

**JEFFERSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION 2023-37**

**RESOLUTION REGARDING AMERIMED AS TO REGULATIONS FOR THE  
OPERATION OF AMBULANCE, CONVALESCENT AND INVALID SERVICES IN  
JEFFERSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE**

**WHEREAS**, Under the Provisions of T.C.A. 7-61-103, the governing body of any county may enforce restrictions and regulations for the operation of patient transportation services (ambulance, invalid, convalescent, etc.) inside their county.

**WHEREAS**, Jefferson County has established the regulations for all new or current ambulance services, convalescent services or invalid transport vehicles operating in Jefferson County. As part of these regulations, no service which transports patients on a stretcher shall be exempt from these regulations; and these regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, each Service whether convalescent, invalid transport or emergency shall be required to meet all these Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to T.C.A. 33-6-901, the Sheriff of a county in Tennessee may designate a "secondary transport agent" for the purpose of transporting mental patients to another county for evaluation or treatment once certified by a physician for such transport pursuant to T.C.A. 33-6-404; and

**WHEREAS**, after consultation with the County Mayor as required by T.C.A. 33-6-901, the Sheriff for Jefferson County, Tennessee desires to designate Amerimed as a "secondary transport agent" for the purpose of transporting mental patients to another county for evaluation or treatment once certified by a physician for such transport, and is seeking grant funds for such purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, it is not required that an ambulance service be designated as a "secondary transport agent" for the transport of mental patients to another county for evaluation or treatment once certified by a physician for such transport; and

**WHEREAS**, out of an abundance of caution, the Sheriff for Jefferson County, Tennessee is seeking approval from the Jefferson County Commission to proceed with entering into an agreement with Amerimed be designated as a "secondary transport agent" for the transport of mental patients to another county for evaluation or treatment once certified by a physician for such transport, but does not want such designation to run afoul of the regulations for all new or current ambulance services, convalescent services or invalid transport vehicles operating in Jefferson County.

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Votes: 21 0 0  
Yes No Abstain

Attest: Frank C. Herndon Date: 7/18/23  
Frank C. Herndon, County Clerk



Approved: Mark Potts Date: 7/18/23  
Mark Potts, County Mayor