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## **Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request**

**Date of Meeting:** August 21, 2007

**Date Submitted:** July 23, 2007

**To:** Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board

**From:** Marlon Brown, County Manager  
Brian Beasley, EMS Director

**Subject:** Approval for Dr. Carol Sutton as EMS Medical Director

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### **Statement of Issue:**

This item seeks Board approval to appoint Dr. Carol Sutton as the Medical Director for Gadsden EMS. This agreement will be valid for two years from October 1, 2007 until October 1, 2009.

### **Background:**

On June 24, 2006 Gadsden County experienced a great loss in the death of Dr. Jessie Furlow. Dr. Furlow served as the EMS Medical Director for twenty years. The State of Florida, Bureau of EMS states all EMS agencies must have a Medical Director. Dr. Sutton is currently covering the County Jail and has agreed to step in as EMS Medical Director to keep the agency up and running.

### **Analysis**

The approval from the Board of Dr. Sutton will maintain a smooth transition at this time of great loss for Gadsden County. The Medical Director is a State mandate for all EMS agencies. Dr. Sutton has performed the Medical Director position for the last year; this will extend her agreement for two years.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

The fiscal impact for this item will be maintained at \$20,000 per year. The amount has been funded in the EMS budget for the Medical Director.

**Options:**

1. Board approval to appoint Dr. Sutton as Medical Director
2. Provide staff other direction.

**Recommendation:**

Option 1:

**Attachments:**

Agreement extension for a two-year period.

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TO: Bureau of EMS  
Carol Sutton, MD  
Board Of County Commissioners, Gadsden County

FROM: Brian Beasley, Director Gadsden EMS

SUBJ: Extension of Medical Director Contract  
Please be advised that the contract for Dr Carol Sutton as the Medical Director for Gadsden County EMS is due to expire on Sep 30, 2007.

This is to extend and notify all personnel involved that her contract will be continued as written with the following amendment:

"Scope of Employment

- I. DR. SUTTON shall serve as the Medical Director for GADSDEN COUNTY for a period of two years commencing the 1<sup>st</sup> day of Oct 2007 and terminating the 30<sup>th</sup> day of Sep 2009 unless extended by written notification to the Bureau of EMS, Carol Sutton, MD and the Board of County Commissioners."

**In witness whereof**, the parties hereto have caused this agreement to be executed by their undersigned officials as duly authorized.

**GADSDEN COUNTY BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER:**

**FACILITY PHYSICIAN:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

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Dr Carol Sutton

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