## Columbus Consolidated Government Council Meeting Agenda Item

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Memorandum of Agreement: CFEMS & RightSite Health Physicians PLLC
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to execute the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) related to telehealth services jointly provided through the Columbus Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services by RiteSite Health Physicians PLLC.
INITIATED BY:	Fire/EMS

**Recommendation:** Approval is requested to execute the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) related to telehealth services jointly provided through the Columbus Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services by RiteSite Health Physicians PLLC.

**Background:** The Columbus Fire & EMS Department responds to many calls for service that are not true emergencies. As part of the department's Columbus Correct Care initiative, the Fire-EMS Department is seeking to partner with a vendor offering telehealth services for non-critical calls for medical service. This opportunity provides residents of Muscogee County with an alternative resource that will allow certain patients to receive immediate healthcare services while alleviating emergency resources for other critical calls. This approach provides 9-1-1 callers the opportunity to immediately connect a caller with a medical professional who can facilitate care for non-emergent needs. Similarly, field personnel can connect non-emergent patients with professional health services at the patient's request. These telehealth services will provide some relief to Fire-EMS services who can then direct resources to more critical calls for service.

<u>Analysis:</u> Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services is requesting authorization for the execution of the MOA associated with the partnership with RightSite Health Physicians PLLC.

**<u>Financial Considerations:</u>** There are no new expenditure of funds associated with this request.

<u>Legal Considerations:</u> The Consolidated Government of Columbus is eligible to enter into this Memorandum of Agreement.

**Recommendation/Action:** Approval is requested to execute the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) related to telehealth services jointly provided through the Columbus Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services by RiteSite Health Physicians PLLC.

A RESOLUTION
NO

A RESOLUTION TO EXECUTE THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT RELATED TO TELEHEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED THROUGH THE COLUMBUS DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BY RIGHTSITE HEALTH PHYSICIANS PLLC.

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus Fire and Emergency Medical Services (CFEMS) is seeking to offer alternative healthcare services to the residents of Muscogee County with non-emergent medical needs; and,

**WHEREAS**, this approach aims to provide immediate telehealth services to certain patients freeing up critical resources for more emergent needs; and,

**WHEREAS**, RightSite Health Physicians PLLC has agreed to partner with CFEMS by offering telehealth services to Muscogee County residents; and,

WHEREAS, this Memorandum of Agreement requires no new expenditure of funds.

## NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HERBY RESOLVES:

1) That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the attached Memorandum of Agreement related to telehealth services provided through the Columbus Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services by RightSite Health Physicians PLLC.

	I meeting by the affirmative vote of ten members of said Council.
Councilor Allen voting	·
Councilor Chambers voting	·
Councilor Cogle voting	·
Councilor Crabb voting	·
Councilor Davis voting	·
Councilor Garrett voting	·
Councilor Hickey voting	·
Councilor Huff voting	·
Councilor Thomas voting	·
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