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Southwest Michigan EMS leader named president of Michigan Association of Ambulance Services board of directors

Lansing, Michigan – The Michigan Association of Ambulance Services, the resource and advocate for ambulance services in Michigan, today announced its 2026/2027 leadership and board of directors:

Brian Scribner, executive director of Southwest Michigan Community Ambulance Service (SMCAS), was named president of the board. Scribner has worked in emergency medical services for 35 years and has led SMCAS for the last 12 years. He previously served as the MAAS board president-elect.

“EMS agencies ensure the health and safety of our communities, providing essential pre-hospital care to residents in-need,” Scribner said. “I am honored to represent our industry as MAAS President this year and am committed to working to strengthen our industry so we are always there to serve Michigan residents,”

Joining Scribner on the MAAS board in 2026 are:

- President-Elect: Laurie Thiel, Mobile Medical Response
- Immediate Past President: John Clayton, MyMichigan Health
- Secretary: Bill Grubb, Star EMS
- Treasurer: Mark Meijer, Life EMS Ambulance
- Region 1: Ron Slagell, Emergent Health Partners
- Region 2N: Vince Waryas, Universal Ambulance
- Region 2S: Dustin Hawley, Superior Ambulance
- Region 5: Jason Wiley, Medic-1 Ambulance
- Region 6: Sheri Verwey, Rockford Ambulance

- Region 7: Rick Dupon, Denton Township Ambulance Service
- Region 8: Gary Wadaga, Bay Ambulance
- Region 9 – Air Ambulance: Doug Berry, Medstar LifeFlight
- At Large: Kenneth Cummings, Tri-Hospital EMS
- At Large: Kolby Miller, Medstar Ambulance
- At Large: Tim Niggemyer, Croswell Ambulance
- At Large: Jeff White, Richmond Lenox Ambulance Authority

Michigan is home to more than 29,000 EMS providers, nearly 800 life support agencies, and more than 4,000 licensed life support vehicles, according to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Division of EMS and Trauma within the Bureau of Emergency Preparedness, EMS and Systems of Care.

The Michigan Association of Ambulance Services is a statewide trade association representing and advocating for ambulance services. MAAS members serve 80% of Michigan counties and were responsible for more than 900,000 ambulance transports, or 69% of all transports statewide, in 2024. In addition to traditional ambulance services, MAAS members provide emergency, non-emergency and specialty care services throughout Michigan.

For more information, visit www.miambulance.org.