

# EMS—Medical

## Disadvantages:

### A. Training disparity:

1. Medical training does not cross over well to fire training and does not count toward ISO rating.

\* Caveat – EMS hours CAN be garnered from several aspects of fire training allowing for dual-role instruction to be accomplished.

### B. Personnel selection will have to be stringent.

1. Difficult for personnel to be proficient in multiple fields. (Jack of All Trades syndrome)

### C. Cost of expendables

1. Billing for services or some type of cost recovery program will have to be established.

### D. Potential political fallout/impact on MOU with South Georgia Medical Center.

### E. Possible necessity of increased liability and other insurance coverage.

## Equipment Needs:

### A. Vehicle

1. Recommend rescue/service body with remount ability.

\* Gasoline engine instead of diesel due to reduced maintenance cost and lower occurrence of issues arising from extended idle times on EMS calls.

\* Current available vehicles (Air-7, Air-9) will meet immediate needs with the additional advantage of having the ability to provide air at structure fires.

Air 7 (2002)

Air 9 (2000)

