

MEMORANDUM

TO: Local Presidents or Highest Ranking in all Land Ambulance Bargaining Units

FROM: Moya Beall, Negotiator

DATE: September 6, 2005

SUBJECT: AMBULANCE PRE-BARGAINING CONFERENCE

Dear Sister/Brother:

You are invited to an Ambulance Division Pre-Bargaining Conference that has been scheduled as follows:

<u>DATE:</u>	Tuesday, October 25, 2005
<u>HOTEL:</u>	Delta Meadowvale Hotel 6750 Mississauga Road, Mississauga Tel: (905) 821-1981 Toll-free: 1-800-422-8238
<u>MEETING ROOM:</u>	Britannia
<u>TIME:</u>	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
<u>REGISTRATION:</u>	8:00 a.m.

This is the first Pre-Bargaining Conference that has been held in the Ambulance Sector. Its purpose is to support achievement of the highest possible province-wide standards in our collective agreements through the following means:

- i) updating and improving the common language that was developed by the Sector Executive for bargaining;
- ii) identifying priority issues for bargaining; and
- iii) developing a coordinated approach to bargaining.

Delegate Entitlement

Each land ambulance bargaining unit in the Sector shall be entitled to send one (1) delegate to the Pre-Bargaining Conference. Where the bargaining unit is a single-unit local the delegate shall be the Local President (or in her/his absence, the Local Vice-President). In the absence of both the Local President and the Local Vice-President, the delegate shall be elected by the members of the Local. For all other

bargaining units, the delegate shall be the highest ranking officer. In the absence of the highest-ranking officer, the delegate shall be elected by members of the bargaining unit. Members of the Division Executive who do not qualify to attend based on the above, are also entitled to attend with full delegate status.

Observers are welcome, but space is limited, so delegates will be accommodated first. Observers will be placed on a first registered, first served basis as space allows. The local must pay all expenses of observers.

Please note that OPSEU will be arranging hotel bookings

1. Rooms cannot be guaranteed if we have not received your registration at Head Office by **September 25, 2005**.
2. Accommodation is to be shared with another delegate. If you request anything else, it will be your/the Local's responsibility to pay the difference in cost.
3. OPSEU will not pay for accommodation for members living within sixty (60) kilometers of the hotel.

Forms Enclosed

1. Attendance and Advance Form
2. Special needs form to be completed if applicable

All of these forms **must be faxed (416-443-7451)** to Head Office (**Attention: Agnela Pereira**) so they are received no later than **September 25, 2005**.

In Solidarity,

Authorized for Distribution

Moya Beall
Negotiator

Leah Casselman
President

CC: Ambulance Division Executive
Executive Board Members
Staff Representatives, Sector 1
Regional Offices
Nicki Costa – Travel Department
Accounting Department
OPSEU Direct
Catherine Bowman – Supervisor, Health Care