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BEVERLY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES NURSE PRACTITIONER PROGRAM

Beverly Hills, Calif. (February 19, 2019) – The City of Beverly Hills Fire Department (BHFD) is launching its Nurse Practitioner Program, an unparalleled program in Los Angeles County.

Through a unique and innovative Emergency Medical Service (EMS) model, the program is designed to deliver advanced, efficient and effective healthcare in the pre-hospital setting.

BHFD's vehicle, 'Nurse Practitioner 1' (NP1), will respond to calls for service in the field. Staffed with both a Nurse Practitioner and Firefighter Paramedic, with oversight from a board certified Emergency Medicine physician, NP1 is equipped with an array of medications, select laboratory diagnostics and technical medical equipment.

Whether responding to 911 calls or following up on 'in home' patient referrals, NP1 will provide mobile urgent care and collaborate with primary care providers to optimize greater long-term health and wellness in our community.

"We are thrilled to bring this innovative, life-saving program to Beverly Hills," said Mayor Julian Gold. "With a focus on improving patient outcomes and connecting healthcare resources to patients' specific needs, the program defines the future of Mobile Integrated Health."

For details on the Nurse Practitioner Program, please visit the City's Fire Department website: <http://www.beverlyhills.org/citygovernment/departments/firedepartment/> or contact Sean Stokes at 310-281-2733 or sstokes@beverlyhills.org.

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