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# CLARK COUNTY STAFF REPORT

**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION:** Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency - EMS

**DATE:** January 15, 2013

**REQUEST:** Re-Appointment of Representative to the EMS Administrative Board.

**CHECK ONE:**  Consent  Hearing  Chief Administrative Officer

**OBJECTIVE:** County appointment of the EMS Administrative Board representatives.

**CURRENT SITUATION:** The term of the county appointments on the EMS Administrative Board for Healthcare Administration, Insurance and Finance expired December 31, 2012. The incumbents for these positions include: Dan Keteri, Jerry Nies and Mike Plymale respectively. They have all expressed interest in being appointed another three year term

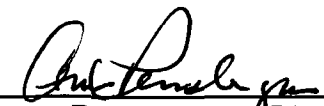
**BACKGROUND:** Through key policy decisions made by the participating jurisdictions, it was agreed that EMS system design and administration is quite complex and best carried out by medical and business authorities who offer the necessary expertise. Appointed by the Board of County Commissioners, the Emergency Medical Services Administrative Board is composed of citizen volunteers who administer the paramedic ambulance services contract for Clark County EMS District #2 and its participating jurisdictions. The five members of the EMS Administrative Board provide vital expertise with professional experience in health care administration, business, law, finance, and insurance.


**BUDGET AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:** The EMS Administrative Board is established under the Uniform EMS Ordinance and EMS Interlocal Agreement. The five members are appointed by the County.

**FISCAL IMPACTS:** None.

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Staff request the Board of County Commissioners re-appoint Dan Keteri, Jerry Nies and Mike Plymale.

**DISTRIBUTION:** Prosecuting Attorney

  
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Anna Pendergrass, Director  
Clark Regional Emergency  
Services Agency

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CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
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Attachments: Dan Keteri, Jerry Nies and Mike Plymale Bios



## **EMS Administrative Board Bios**

### **Mike Plymale, Chair (Financial Rep.)**

Mike Plymale has over 27 years of experience in municipal/non-profit and public accounting. Over the past 17 years, he has been operating his own accounting practice in Vancouver, Washington.

After receiving his degree in Business Administration from Washington State University, Mr. Plymale began working in Clark County's Accounting Department. He later assumed Chief Accountant responsibilities before leaving to start his own practice.

Mr. Plymale has served on a variety of professional and civic groups, some of which include: Washington Society of CPAs; BARS Local Government Advisory Committee to the State Auditor; Intergovernmental Audit Forum; Member and past Chairman to the Clark County Mental Health Advisory Board; East Vancouver Child Care Center Board of Directors; and Habitek Consortium.

### **Daniel Keteri (Health Care Administration Rep.)**

Daniel Keteri has over 22 years of experience in health care management and administration, currently the Vice President of Patient Care Services at SW Washington Medical Center.

Daniel Keteri is pursuing his Masters in Nursing and Health Care Administration from Suomi College, Hancock, MI. Mr. Keteri is responsible for overseeing 15 clinical directors and their departments including Heart and Vascular Center of Excellence, Healthy Steps Women's Program, Trauma, and Behavior Health Programs. Daniel Keteri has experience as a Registered Nurse, Nurse Manager, and Director in a variety of areas including: Medical-Surgical Units, Ortho-Neuro Units, Inpatient Surgical Services, and the Intervention Pain Clinic.

### **Jerry Nies (Insurance Rep.)**

Jerry Nies has been in the insurance industry since 1972 when he started his own independent insurance company in Clark County.

Mr. Nies attended Western Washington University and completed the degree requirements for a Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter. He is a board member of the Washington Independent Agents Association and serves as President of the National Agents Council for Safeco Insurance. Jerry Nies is currently on the Board of Directors for Riverview Bank Corp and Northwest Heart of Gold Inc., a Portland-based nonprofit that raises funds for cancer research at Oregon Health Sciences University.

Mr. Nies was a volunteer firefighter and EMT, and served as the Fire Chief for the City of Battle Ground in the late 1980s. As Chief he instituted the first volunteer EMT defibrillation program in SW Washington. Has served as President of the Battle Ground Chamber of Commerce and was a member of the Battle Ground City Council.