| **Good Samaritan Law: Veterinarian** | A licensed veterinarian or a person under their direct supervision who provides emergency animal care will not be held legally responsible. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.  
Veternarian |  
This legal protection does not include emergency services provided at the request of the animal’s owner.  
Generally, Good Samaritan laws only offer protection for those individuals who provide care during spontaneous emergencies unrelated to volunteer deployment. |

| **Liability: Nurse Escort** | A registered or licensed practical nurse who, in good faith, escorts a patient whose life is in danger in a mode of transportation that is not an ambulance will not be held legally responsible for acting or failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.  
Nurse |  |

| **Good Samaritan Law** | An individual who provides emergency care or counseling at a hospital or other location to a person who appears to need immediate care will not be held legally responsible for acting or failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or recklessness.  
Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker |  
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| **Good Samaritan Law: Providing Free Health Care Services** | A licensed health care provider who, voluntarily and without compensation, provides services at a medical facility, nonprofit facility, government site, or a temporary emergency site will not be held legally responsible for these services if they were within the provider’s scope of practice. A licensed health care provider can be held legally responsible if they act with extreme carelessness or intentionally to cause harm.  
Other medical professional, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Dentist, Pharmacist |  
Generally, Good Samaritan laws only offer protection for those individuals who provide care during spontaneous emergencies unrelated to volunteer deployment. |
Liability: Responding Political Subdivision
Alaska Stat. 26.23.540

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker

An employee of an government entity who provides aid pursuant to a mutual aid agreement will not be held legally responsible for acting or failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

Liability: Administration of Epi Pen
Alaska Stat. 17.22.040

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker

An individual who has completed epi pen training and, in good faith, administers the epi pen in an emergency will not be held legally responsible.

Liability: Providing Equipment or Service
Alaska Stat. 09.65.091

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker

When an emergency declaration is in effect, a person who, at the request of a law enforcement agency, fire department, rescue or emergency squad, or government agency, provides equipment or services will not be held legally responsible for the death or injury to a person or property. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm. This does not affect a person's right to workers' compensation.

Liability: Provider of AED
Alaska Stat. 09.65.087(b)

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker

An individual who acquires or provides an AED will not be held legally responsible for its use or attempted use. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness.

This legal protection does not apply to AED manufacturers.
Liability: Emergency Services Volunteer
Alaska Stat. 09.65.090(b)-(c)

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker

A volunteer with an emergency services organization who provides first aid, search and rescue support, or other emergency services will not be held legally responsible. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or recklessness.

This section does not apply to injuries caused by providing manual electric cardiac defibrillation, administration of anti-arrhythmic agents, intravenous therapy, intramuscular therapy, or use of endotracheal intubation unless the volunteer member is authorized by law to provide these services.

Liability: Civil Defense Worker
Alaska Stat. 26.20.140

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker

When an emergency declaration is in effect, the State, a political subdivision, agency, or civil defense worker who, in good faith, complies, or attempts to comply, with a rule or regulation will not be held legally responsible for any conduct which results in injury or death to a person. They can be held legally responsible if acting with intent to cause harm.

Good Samaritan Law: Emergency Medical Services Provider
Alaska Stat. 18.08.086(a)

EMT, Government Public Health

An emergency medical services provider, a public agency controlling their activities, and health care professionals and emergency medical dispatchers advising emergency medical services providers who, in good faith, provide emergency medical services to a person appearing to be in immediate danger will not be held legally responsible for acting or failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if they act outside of their scope of practice, with extreme carelessness, or intent to cause harm.

Generally, Good Samaritan laws only offer protection for those individuals who provide care during spontaneous emergencies unrelated to volunteer deployment.

Liability: Paramedic
Alaska Stat. 08.64.366

EMT

A paramedic who, in good faith, provides emergency services will not be held legally responsible for acting or failing to act. The supervising physician, hospital, staff, nurses, or political subdivision connected with the paramedic will not be held legally responsible for the paramedic's conduct while providing emergency services.

This section does not provide legal protections when there is a lack of or improper training or equipment maintenance used by the paramedic.
Liability: Search and Rescue
Alaska Stat. 18.60.125

The state, a political subdivision, or their officers, agents, or employees participating in a search and rescue training or activity will not be held legally responsible for acting or failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if acting with intent to cause harm or with complete disregard for safety within the scope of their duties.

Liability: Emergency Medical Services Training
Alaska Stat. 18.08.086(d)

A certified emergency medical services instructor, person, or entity certified to conduct training for paramedics, and contractors providing trainings will not be held legally responsible for an act of carelessness causing injury to a person or property during the training.

Liability: Use of AED
Alaska Stat. 09.65.087(a)

An individual who uses, or attempts to use, an AED for a perceived medical emergency will not be held legally responsible for acting or failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if they fail to notify an appropriate emergency medical services agency.

License Reciprocity: Emergency Responder Providing Intrastate Aid
Alaska Stat. 26.23.515

An emergency responder holding a license, permit, or certificate issued by an Alaska agency or political subdivision is considered licensed, permitted, or certified in the political subdivision requesting aid. This can be limited in writing by the executive officer of the requesting political subdivision.

License Reciprocity: EMT
7 AAC 26.150(f)

EMT-I, EMT-II, and EMT-III certificates can be issued to a person from another state, territory, or nation when providing care under a mutual aid agreement. The person must have completed appropriate training and requirements. The supervising physician for the EMT is not required to be located or licensed in Alaska.
### Scope of Practice: Pharmacist Administering Emergency Medication

**Alaska Stat. 08.80.168**

A pharmacist can administer a vaccine, epinephrine injection, or other medication for a severe allergic reaction if they have completed an approved immunization training program.

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### Scope of Practice: Emergency Medical Services Provider under Mutual Aid Agreement

**7 AAC 26.150(e)**

A licensed emergency medical services provider providing mutual aid within the state can provide care within the scope of practice of their home state, territory, or nation. Medical direction by a physician is required for advanced life support procedures.

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### Workers' Compensation: Firefighter

**13 AAC 52.040**

A firefighter is entitled to workers' compensation from the State if the fire department submits a complete list of members to the state fire marshal annually.

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### Workers' Compensation: Political Subdivision

**Alaska Stat. 23.30.092**

A political subdivision can choose to provide workers' compensation for volunteer ambulance attendants, law enforcement officers, firefighters, or search and rescue personnel.

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### Workers' Compensation: Intrastate Emergency Responders

**Alaska Stat. 26.23.525**

An emergency responder who provides intrastate assistance to a requesting political subdivision and is injured or killed in the course of their duties is entitled only to benefits authorized in the course of their employment with, or while providing services to, the responding political subdivision.

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**Workers' Compensation: Volunteer EMT**  
Alaska Stat. 23.30.238  
EMT  

An individual who volunteers as an EMT and is injured during the course and within the scope of providing services is considered an employee of Alaska for the purposes of workers' compensation. The volunteer EMT must be certified by the State, provide services outside an incorporated city or borough, and is not otherwise covered for workers' compensation.

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**Workers' Compensation: Out-of-State Emergency and Disaster Relief**  
Alaska Stat. 23.30.244(a)  
Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker  

An Alaska resident who temporarily volunteers in another state or country during an emergency or disaster and is injured or killed during the course and within the scope of providing emergency or disaster aid is considered an employee of Alaska for the purposes of workers' compensation. The volunteer must be an active member of a state-certified emergency force, providing services under the Emergency Medical Assistance Compact, and is not otherwise covered for workers' compensation.

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**Workers’ Compensation: Search and Rescue Volunteer**  
Alaska Stat. 23.30.246  
Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional  

An Alaska resident who temporarily volunteers in a search and rescue training exercise or services and is injured or killed during the training or services is considered a state employee for the purposes of workers’ compensation. The volunteer must have been acting within the scope of their training, be an authorized participant in the training or service, and not otherwise covered for workers’ compensation.

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**Workers’ Compensation: In-State Emergency and Disaster Relief**  
Alaska Stat. 23.30.244(b)  
Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker  

An Alaska resident who temporarily volunteers within the state during an emergency or disaster and is injured or killed during the course and within the scope of providing emergency or disaster aid is considered an employee of Alaska for workers’ compensation. The volunteer must be an active member of a state-certified emergency force, is not otherwise covered for other workers’ compensation, and is not an employee of the U.S., Alaska, or political subdivision of Alaska.
An emergency responder from a political subdivision that responds to a request from another political subdivision for mutual aid is not entitled to benefits from the requesting political subdivision, including compensation, salary, leave, pension, or any other benefit.

**Relevant Compacts**

Emergency Management Assistance Compact