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Topic: Community Engagement: Hospital Sustainability and Act 167

Comment: I attended Tuesday's excellent meeting at the Ilsley Library yet did not have an opportunity to comment about Addison County's EMS system, especially Middlebury's. I was one of its founders in 1970 and have kept in touch with its Executive Director, Kate Rothwell. Middlebury covers a 10 town area and has received nothing but the highest praise from the public and medical communities. We spent a great deal of time to train each town's first responders so they could stabilize a patient prior to our arrival. So, it is NOT an issue for this area as far as the degree of professionalism is concerned. My only concerns are the continued recruitment of personnel and the need for a separate service to handle long range (i.e DHMC, White River VA, Albany etc.) transfers because of the time consumed.

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