

THE SAFETY DISPATCH

July, 2023

QUARTER 2, 2023 STATISTICS:

Collisions:

<u>Shift</u>	<u>Preventable</u>	<u>Non-Preventable</u>	<u>Totals</u>
A	6	1	7
B	2	1	3
C	9	5	14
D	4	4	8
Vol	2	2	4
R	0	1	1
			Total: 37

Injuries:

Total:	85 injuries
Most Common Type:	Sprain/Strain (total: 40)
Most Common Body Part Affected:	Lower Back (9) Knee, Hand, Shoulder (total: 8 each)
Most Common Task Being Performed:	Training and PT (total: 12 each)
Exposures:	7 (From one incident)

GREAT JOB B and Vol. Shifts!

- Between 4/26 & 5/6, there were ZERO collisions. GREAT JOB on a 10 day streak
- Of the 32 collisions, 8 of them were "mirror slaps" with other vehicles. Please take note that our mirror-to-mirror widths are sometimes wider than the lane of travel. It is OK to slow down and pull over to prevent a collision.
- There were also 3 incidents with bay doors coming down on apparatus. Bay door safety

MCFRS now has an Injury Prevention Specialist. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information about Kelsey and what she does.

[CLICK HERE](#) for a one-pager with information on knee injury prevention and recovery written by Kelsey.

Safety-related Notes:

- Shady Grove ER is still a tight area for EMS units to get in & out; this will be in place for 2 years or more.
- THANK YOU for your continued patience and for exercising care while maneuvering around each other.
- Remember - a backer is required when *leaving* the hospital *too*.
- EMS crews should help each other out with repositioning units when possible.
- Heavy Apparatus: Stay out on Medical Center Drive.
- [HERE](#) is the link for the Safety Notice for this. [HERE](#) is an additional Safety Notice about cot drops.
- In-Vehicle Safety Features: Should you encounter an issue with one of your vehicle's engineered safety features, please do NOT disable it. Immediately report it to your company officer and ensure a defect report is written. If CMF cannot address it on the fly, please switch out to a reserve. **THIS MEANS SEATBELT ALARMS.**

Did you know?:

- June 18th to 24th was the 2023 Firefighter Safety Stand Down. It was all about Li-ion batteries.
- [HERE](#) is a link to the Safety Stand Down resources.

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**If you have something you would like to contribute for next quarter,
[CLICK HERE](#) or reach out to one of the Safety Officers.**