

PSAP Name: DPS PRICE COMMUNICATIONS

Minimum Standards	Compliant at the time of reporting: Y/N	If Y, how many months compliant in 2021	PSAP Comments	UCA's Comments and Suggestions for Improvement
#1 A PSAP shall have at least two telecommunicators answering 911 calls at all times and will also staff sufficiently to meet minimum standard #7 by utilizing either staff employed by their PSAP, utilizing an agreement with another PSAP within Utah whereby that PSAP can make calls and dispatch a full emergency response, or utilizing Virtual Consolidation as defined in UCA's Strategic Plan.	Y	12	None	N/A
#2 For each medical call processed, the PSAP shall utilize EMD caller interrogation protocols that contain, at a minimum, the following: a) The specific pieces of information that must be gathered for each type of call; and b) Pre-arrival instructions/post-dispatch instructions designed to address caller or patient/victim safety and/or to preserve evidence; and c) PSAPs should dispatch high-priority medical, fire and law enforcement calls as soon as location and call-type are verified.	Y	12	"All of the dispatchers at the Price Communications Center are EMD Certified and handle all 911 calls utilizing the medical Priority System in the manner stated above."	N/A
#3 The PSAP shall implement and maintain a Quality Assurance ("QA") program that reviews 911 call recordings from each discipline (police, fire and medical) processed by the PSAP and provides feedback to the associated telecommunicator. The QA program should at a minimum meet the APCO/NENA Quality Assurance program standard as set forth in APCO/NENA ANS 1.107.1.2015	Y	9	"The Price Communications Center has a QA program in place. Due to the center being short-staffed, we are compliant nine out of the twelve months. The supervisors are covering consoles and not able to do them. We are compliant 100% of the time when we are fully staffed."	N/A
#4 The PSAP shall not allow a telecommunicator to take/process a 911 call alone unless the telecommunicator has completed the PSAP's training program and is EMD Certified.	Y	12	None	N/A
#5 The PSAP shall implement and maintain, either internally or through a contract, a training program that contains the following elements: a) All certified telecommunicators shall maintain all required certifications listed under the POST requirements. b) All PSAP trainers shall be actively certified as a trainer/instructor from a nationally recognized organization, such as POST, International Academies of Emergency Dispatch ("IAED"), NENA, APCO, or another organization approved in advance by the 911 Division. c) Meets the APCO Minimum Training Standards for Public Safety Telecommunicators as set forth in the APCO ANS 3.103.2.2015 or the NENA Minimum Training Standards. PSAPs are allowed to exempt non-citizen telecommunicators who were hired prior to April, 2018 who obtain certification through another source such as APCO or NENA.	Y	12	"All of the trainers with Price Communications Center are certified. Either with the APCO CTO and recertify every two years or with NENA CTO training program."	N/A
#6 The PSAP shall not intentionally manipulate 911 call counts or other data. Examples include, but are not limited to, manipulating ECATS services to include 10-digit phone numbers in 911 call counts and/or making non-emergency 911 calls/texts by PSAP or other governmental employees (mandated test calls/texts not included).	Y	12	The Price Communications Center staff does not manipulate the 911 call counts in any manner."	N/A
#7 Ninety percent (90%) of all 911 calls arriving at the PSAP shall be answered within fifteen (15) seconds and ninety-five percent (95%) of calls arriving at the PSAP shall be answered within twenty (20) seconds. This standard will be measured using the "PSAP Answer Time" report available through ECATS. For purposes of compliance with this minimum standard, the following criteria should be used when generating the report: Select Range - Last Year (January-December); Period Group - Year; Call Type - 911 Calls; Abandoned Filters - Exclude Abandoned; Agency Affiliation - Default except unselect training. For the purposes of compliance with this standard, the box showing the "% answer time < 15seconds" and "% answer time < 20 seconds" under the "Overall Percentage" will be used.	Y	12	None	N/A
#8 If the transfer of a 911 call has to occur, the PSAP shall follow the NENA Call Answering Standard/Model Recommendation	Y	12	"The Price Communications Center tries not to transfer calls but if they need to, they follow the NENA standard and do not transfer blindly."	N/A
#9 The PSAP shall maintain a comprehensive resiliency and back-up plan to mitigate events that may disrupt 911 service to a community; this may include, but is not limited to, major equipment failures, facility issues, natural or man-made disasters or any other event that reduces or eliminates the performance ability of the PSAP.	Y	12	"The Price Communications Center has procedures for equipment failures, outages, evacuations and a coop plan."	N/A
Best Practices				
#1 The PSAP should accept text-to-911 and adopt standard operating procedures for handling the text calls.	Y	12	"The Price Communications Center receives text-to-911 calls. The Communications Bureau has a policy in place for all information received require any type of response be issued and/or case number."	N/A
#2 The PSAP should adopt an Acute Traumatic & Chronic Stress Management Standard, which may include the Utah Critical Incident Stress Management Team. Any adopted standard should call for local staff to assume task responsibility for implementation and evaluation of all elements of the Comprehensive Stress Management Programs ("CSMP"). Such tasks would include procuring CSMP funding, identifying and coordinating CSMP resources and facilitating access to related services including Peer Support, Critical Incident Stress Management, local mental health trauma therapists, and other elements of the CSMP.	Y	12	"The employees at the Price Communications Center utilize the DPS Peer Support, CISD team and the Safe Utah App. We regularly have the CISM training for all of our employees; they also have EAPs through the State Health Benefits and participate in personal health programs within the Bureau and DPS."	N/A
#3 The PSAP should have up-to-date Policies and Procedures including these policies and procedures found in NENA's 9-1-1 Center Operations Standards PSAP Operations SOPs located at https://www.nena.org/page/OperationsStandards	N		"The Price Communications Center has up-to-date Policies and Procedures that we constantly update and review. We also adhere to the Communications Bureau Policy, Procedures, and DPS Policies. Most of the NENA SOPs are covered in our current Policy and Procedures and we are working on updating them to ensure they are all covered, so we are about 95% compliant."	A PSAP could refer to NENA Standards. Retrieved from https://www.nena.org/page/Standards
#4 The PSAP should be managed/supervised by an individual possessing one or more of the following advanced certifications: NENA Center Manager Certification Program ("CMCP"), NENA Emergency Number Professional ("ENP"), APCO Registered Public Safety Leader ("RPL") or APCO Certified Public Safety Executive ("CPE"); and that manager/supervisor shall be provided funds by the PSAP to support membership in industry associations and ongoing training and education appropriate for their position and responsibilities.	N		"The Price Communications Center Manager, Kordine Nelson maintains memberships in industry associations and ongoing training and education appropriate for their position and responsibilities. Due to COVID-19 Kordine has not been able to attend the NENA Center Manager Certification Program. Kordine will take the class once it becomes available in the state."	A PSAP could refer to the certification courses listed on: https://www.apointl.org/ or https://www.nena.org/
#5 The PSAP should report to AGRC each error it identifies in the routing of 911 calls within 14 calendar days.	Not applicable for 2021			