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Purpose:

This policy shall ensure the most accurate and appropriate information is released to the media.

Policy:

Statements by unauthorized members or employees to the print, broadcast, or other media regarding positions or opinions of the Bloomfield Genoa City Fire & Rescue (BGCFR) or accounts of services provided by BGCFR at emergency or non-emergency scenes, is prohibited by department members and employees. The Chief, Deputy Chief and Assistant Chief are authorized to make statements on behalf of the BGCFR. Any member or employee being requested to answer questions, or make statements is required to refer the questions to one of the authorized individuals. In the event of print, broadcast, or other media requesting an interview or information at the scene of an emergency, in the absence of an authorized spokesperson, the officer in charge of the scene is authorized to provide information and or statements to the requesting media. A Chief grade officer may also designate a member or employee to release an authorized statement to print, broadcast, or other media.