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PROPOSED AMENDMENT 1 TO COUNCIL BILL 119509, VERSION 1

Amendment Name: Add requirement to the Mobile Integrated Health pilot project evaluation.

Sponsor: CM González

Effects Statement: Requests that the Executive and Seattle Fire Department include in the evaluation of the Mobile Integrated Health (MIH) Team pilot project specific measures that would help the City determine if future MIH teams should include a Registered Nurse, Nurse Practitioner, or Physician's Assistant.

Proposed Amendments:

On page 2, line 2 before "Section" insert:

"Section 3. As part of the mobile integrated health pilot project evaluation identified in the Executive's response to Green Sheet 13-40-A-3-2019, Attachment 2 to this ordinance, the Seattle Fire Department shall develop measures that identify whether an advanced provider such as a Registered Nurse, a Nurse Practitioner, or a Physician's Assistant could have administered in-field medical treatment to alleviate the complaints of a low-acuity patient. Such measures shall include, but not be limited to:

A. Whether a low-acuity patient could have received or benefited from in-field urgent care treatment such as the suturing of a cut or lesion; or the administering of a pain-relieving medication or antibiotic;

B. Whether a low-acuity patient could have received in-field medical clearance for an occurrence of: 1) an injury such as a minor joint sprain or non-life-threatening illness such as a minor cold or flu; or 2) a condition that might present as a potential life-threatening situation, but

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that can be medically cleared by an advanced provider with more medical training than an emergency medical technician or paramedic.

C. Whether a low-acuity patient could have received or benefited from a comprehensive in-home medical and psychosocial assessment;

D. Whether a low-acuity patient refused to be transported to an urgent care or primary care facility that is partnering with the Mobile Integrated Health Team and the reasons that the caller refused to be transported; and whether the above facilities were refused or were otherwise unable to provide care to the patient; and

E. For the requirements of subsections 3.A-D of this ordinance, if a client would have benefited from in-field treatment, whether such treatment would be best provided by a Registered Nurse, Nurse Practitioner, or Physician's Assistant"

Renumber sections and lines accordingly.