



Dear Neighbor,

None of us want to think about the possibility of a medical emergency, but they do occur with surprising regularity in Hershey's Mill and therefore preparing for this eventuality seems wise.

In January, Princeton Village initiated a 3-part **VOLUNTARY** program to make sure, if there is an emergency, that essential contact information and basic medical history is readily available for our security department and first responders. This **Yellow Dot+** program is now available to our village and all Hershey Mill residents.

Inside this **Yellow Dot+** envelope are the following:

- The yellow paper Medical Information forms can be either handwritten or fillable by computer (ask your council). This allows you to list emergency contact(s), physician(s), medical conditions, medications, recent surgery and hospital preference. It also allows you to document whether you have a healthcare proxy, power of attorney, and/or advanced directives. You should place this completed form in the small white envelope designated by a yellow dot. A magnetized clip is provided so that the small yellow dot envelope can be attached on a kitchen appliance such as the refrigerator for ready access by Security or Emergency Medical Services if there was a medical emergency. ***This brief medical history can improve the delivery of care which Emergency Medical Services (EMS) prefers to as "The Golden Hour".***
- Also provided is the "yellow dot+ booklet" **developed by PennDOT**. This allows you to record emergency contact information to be kept in your glove compartment. Your car can be identified as having this emergency information by affixing the yellow dot provided to your rear car window. This information would be accessed by EMS only if there was an emergency in your vehicle. Additional information can be found in the booklet.
- Finally, also included are instructions to program emergency information into your iPhone or Android device. EMS are trained how to access this information.

**The **Yellow Dot+** program** was well received by Princeton residents and has been approved by HMMA. We are committed to help all HM villages offer this voluntary program to all residents. You are **encouraged to participate in this potential life-saving voluntary program**. Marc Fraser of the HM security department has emphasized that having access to this information without searching can maximize the ability of first responders to deliver appropriate care during the **"Golden Hour"** of medical need.

***The HMMA Committee***