The City of Chesapeake has one of the best EMT/paramedic units in the state and their response time to out of hospital arrests is top notch. Several of the deaths in this category [cardiac catheterization and percutaneous procedures] were patients successfully resuscitated in the field and arrive in our catheterization lab but would likely not have survived long enough to make it to most hospitals.

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