



Transport

Policy:

All individuals served by the EMS system will be evaluated, furnished transportation (if indicated) in the most timely and appropriate manner for each individual situation.

Purpose:

To provide:

- Rapid emergency EMS transport when needed.
- Appropriate medical stabilization and treatment at the scene when necessary.
- Protection of patients, EMS personnel, and citizens from undue risk when possible.

Procedure:

1. All trauma patients with mechanisms or history for multiple system trauma will be transported as soon as possible. The scene time should be 10 minutes or less.
2. Medical patients will be transported in the most efficient manner possible considering the medical condition. Advanced life support therapy should be provided at the scene if it would positively impact patient care. Justification for scene times greater than 20 minutes should be documented.
3. No patients will be transported in initial response non-transport vehicles.
4. In unusual circumstances, transport in other vehicles may be appropriate and will be directed by EMS administration.