

MEDICAL PERSONNEL ON SCENE

Indication

- Determination of patient care responsibilities at the scene of an emergency when someone present identifies themselves as medically trained

Person is not a physician

- First Responder/EMT or EMT-P should inform the non-physician individual that they may assist and/or offer suggestions within the scope of their licensure but may not assume medical management for the patient
- Continue with care in usual manner
- Ask to see proof of licensure/certification/accreditation



Person is a physician

- Unless physician is known to the prehospital personnel, ask to see proof of licensure
- First Responder/EMT yield medical management to the physician until the arrival of ALS personnel
- Upon arrival of ALS personnel, the EMT-P will provide the physician with “Note to Physicians on Involvement with EMT-Is and Paramedics” card (Appendix A) to determine option #1, 2 or 3, he/she has chosen to follow



Option #1

- The physician assists the ALS treatment team and/or offers suggestions, but allows the EMS personnel to provide medical treatment according to policy

Option #2

- The physician requests to provide on-scene medical advice and/or assistance after speaking with the intended receiving hospital physician

Option #3

- The physician is willing to take total responsibility for care, and will physically accompany the patient to the hospital
- Make all ALS equipment and supplies available to the physician and offer assistance as needed



Complete a “System Notification Form” for review of the call

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- On-scene physician has chosen option #2 or 3 on the “Note to Physicians on Involvement with EMT-Is and Paramedics” card and should speak directly with the receiving hospital physician