TRANSPORTATION OF A CHILD IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING WAYS IS NOT ALLOWED UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES:

- Unrestrained
- On a parent/caregiver’s lap or held in their arms
- Using only horizontal stretcher straps if the child cannot be properly restrained according to manufacturer specifications
- On the bench seat or any seat perpendicular to the forward motion of the vehicle

TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS:

**No Injury/Illness**
- Preferred: Transport in a non-EMS vehicle using car seat
- Transport in car seat in front passenger seat with airbag in OFF position
- OR
- Transport in car seat in REAR-FACING captain’s chair. Place caregiver on stretcher
- OR
- Leave child on-scene WITH adult caregiver

**III/Injured**
- Preferred: Transport in CRS; secured to the stretcher
- Secure child to stretcher with 3 horizontal straps and vertical straps across each shoulder
- OR
- Transport in CRS secured to the stretcher. Transport mother in rear-facing captain’s chair if mother medically stable

**Spinal Immobilization**
- Preferred: Secure child to CRS, when appropriate, use cervical collar and secure to stretcher
- If child is secured to a spine board, secure board to stretcher with horizontal straps and one vertical strap across each shoulder

**Multiple Patients**
- Preferred: Transport each as single patient using appropriate procedures

**Mother and Newborn**
- Transport newborn in CRS secured to the stretcher. Transport mother in rear-facing captain’s chair if mother medically stable
- OR
- Consider use of additional units, transport non-patient children in non-EMS vehicles