



Treatment and Transport of Minors

EMS ADMINISTRATION 113

PURPOSE	<p>I. Provide guidance to EMS personnel regarding treatment and/or transport of a patient under the age of eighteen.</p>
POLICY	<p>I. MINORS REQUIRING TRANSPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. In the absence of a parent or legal representative, minors with an emergency condition shall be treated and transported to the health care facility most appropriate to their needs.B. Hospital or EMS personnel shall make every effort to inform a parent or legal representative of where their child has been transported.C. If EMS personnel believe a parent or other legal representative of a minor is making a decision that appears to endangering the health and welfare of the minor by refusing indicated immediate care or transport, law enforcement authorities should be involved. <p>II. MINORS NOT REQUIRING TRANSPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. A minor child who is evaluated by EMS personnel and determined not to be injured, to have sustained only minor injuries, or to have illnesses or injuries not requiring immediate treatment or transportation, may be released to:<ul style="list-style-type: none">1. Parent or legal guardian2. Designated care giver who has been given authorization by parent or legal guardian to make medical decisions for the minor.3. Law enforcement <p>III. MINORS WHO MAY CONSENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. A legally married minor;B. A minor on active duty with the U.S. military;C. A minor seeking prevention or treatment of pregnancy or treatment related to sexual assault;D. An emancipated minor (must provide proof).