

Emergency Medical Care Guidelines

Legality: Do only what you are trained and authorized to do. Keep records of what you do for the patient.

Blood-Borne Pathogens

Use PPE (pocket mask, waterproof gloves, goggles) if contact with body fluids is possible.

Treatment Principles

- Prevent further injury by removing from danger.
- Rapid assessment: Airway, Breathing, Circulation, and life-threatening injuries.
- Thorough exam: Look for method of injury. Check for deformities, contusions, abrasions, punctures, burns, tenderness, lacerations, or swelling.
- Stabilize patient.
- Transport decision: air or ground extraction.
- Document on-scene observations and treatment (send with patient).

Medical Response Procedures

- All injuries must be reported to direct supervisor.
- In case of medical emergency, contact incident supervisor or communications dispatcher, and use the Medical Incident Report on page 120.
- Medevac is an Incident Within an Incident (IWI). One person needs to become the on-scene IC and transfer command later if necessary.
- Identify nature of incident, number injured, patient assessment(s), and location (geographic and GPS coordinates).
- Do not use patient name(s) on the radio.
- Determine transport plan (limited visibility or darkness may delay or negate air transport).