

## **PURPOSE**

To assure the safe arrival of the patient to the most appropriate emergency care center.

### **1. Patients to a Trauma Center**

For Patient Triage, Follow Protocol 6-28

If the transport destination is to an out of DEMCA System Center, contact the closest Medical Control hospital to the scene that will provide pre-hospital notification to the receiving center.

Consideration for deviation from the protocol may occur for the patient 14 and below under the following two circumstances

- a. A patient in which the prehospital personnel is unable to establish an airway*
- b. Unavailability of transport routes to a designated pediatric trauma center*

If the patient age 14 and below is not transported to a designated pediatric trauma center, they must be transported to one of the designated adult trauma centers.

In the event that a patient is not able to be transported to a designated pediatric trauma center, a written report of the event must be generated within 24 hours and submitted to the Professional Standards Review Committee.

### **2. Patients to a Burn Center**

Follow Protocol 6 S

### **3. Patients to a Stroke Center**

#### Eligibility Criteria

1. Age > 18 yrs. old.
2. Onset of symptoms less than or equal to six hours.
3. Impairment of language, motor function and/or cognition.

#### Procedures

All possible strokes **require** pre-hospital radio contact.

### **4. Chest Pain Transportation Guidelines**

Patients meeting the following guidelines should be transported to a receiving center capable of providing definitive surgical intervention for an acute myocardial infarction: All possible acute

myocardial infarctions require pre-hospital radio contact and, if possible, pre-hospital ECG transmission to the receiving site

**ST elevation of 1 mm or more in 2 consecutive leads as demonstrated by the ECG obtained in the field in the setting of patients with the acute chest pain syndrome.**

**5. All other patients:**

- 1. In matters of imminent threat to life or limb, transport to the closest appropriate facility\*.**
- 2. In matters which are not a threat to life or limb ,the patient will be taken to the closest appropriate facility or facility of his/her choice, unless:**
  - 1. The patient is a minor, or incompetent, the family or guardian may choose the destination facility.**
  - 2. Transportation to the chosen facility removes the EMS vehicle from the service area for an extended time. Consult medical control and an alternative may be considered.**
- 3. No other individuals are permitted to determine destination of patient without prior approval of on-line medical control: (police, fire, bystander physician, etc.)**

**\*Closest appropriate facility may be a facility capable of providing definitive care or, if definitive care is not readily available, resuscitative care for the patient's condition in consultation with on-line medical control or as defined by protocol.**

## TRAUMA, BURN, STROKE, CARDIAC AND LVAD CENTERS

### Designated Adult Trauma Centers (Level 1 and 2)

Beaumont Farmington Hospital	age 15 and above
Detroit Receiving Hospital	age 15 and above
Henry Ford Hospital	age 15 and above
Beaumont Dearborn Hospital	age 15 and above
Sinai/Grace Hospital	age 15 and above
Providence Hospital	age 15 and above
St. John Hospital	all ages

### Designated Adult Trauma Centers (Level 3)

Beaumont Grosse Point	age 15 and above
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### Designated Pediatric Trauma Center

Children's Hospital of Michigan	age 14 and below
St. John Hospital	age 14 and below

### Burn Centers

Children's Hospital of Michigan	age 14 and below
Detroit Receiving Hospital	age 15 and above

### Stroke Centers

Beaumont Grosse Pointe Hospital  
Beaumont Farmington Hospital  
Detroit Receiving Hospital  
Henry Ford Hospital  
Beaumont Dearborn Hospital  
Providence Hospital  
St. John Hospital  
Sinai-Grace Hospital  
VA Medical Center Detroit  
(Veteran's when VA is closest)

### Cardiac Centers

Beaumont Grosse Pointe  
Detroit Receiving Hospital  
Henry Ford Hospital  
Beaumont Dearborn Hospital  
Providence Hospital  
Sinai-Grace Hospital  
St John Hospital  
Beaumont Farmington Hospital

### LVAD Center

Henry Ford Hospital

## SCENE TIMES

### **Traumatically Injured Patient**

Due to the close proximity of available resources and the fact that definitive treatment for these patients does not occur in the field, all patients meeting the *Absolute Criteria* and those patients meeting the *Relative Criteria* who the paramedic personnel feel should be transported to a Level 1 or Level 2 ACS verified center ***should not have a scene time greater than 20 minutes.*** Adherence to the treatment protocols is mandatory while on scene and during transport. Any deviation from this will need to be documented on the pre-hospital record.

### **Acute Coronary Syndrome or STEMI**

Due to the close proximity of available resources and the fact that definitive care for these patients does not occur in the field, patients suspected of having an **Acute Coronary Syndrome** ***should not have a scene time greater than 20 minutes.*** Adherence to the treatment protocols is mandatory while on scene and during transport. Any deviation from this will need to be documented on the pre-hospital record.