

5-02-050 Inmate Treatment and Transportation by Paramedic-Ambulance Service

Reference: CDM 5-03/090.00

PURPOSE OF ORDER:

This order establishes policy and procedures for the summoning of Los Angeles County Fire Department paramedics and the transport of inmates by ambulance.

SCOPE OF ORDER:

This order applies to all personnel assigned to South Facility.

ORDER:

In the event that an inmate receives an injury or is suffering from an illness which requires emergent medical attention and/or transportation (as determined by medical staff), a request for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) will be made in the following manner:

- Medical staff will advise the Clinic Deputy of the need to contact Emergency Medical Services (EMS).
- The Clinic Deputy will obtain the inmates age and the circumstances requiring the need for EMS (ie; heart attack, suspected stroke, seizure, assault).
- The Clinic Deputy will contact the Watch Deputy, provide the above obtained information, and have the Watch Deputy call EMS.
- The Watch Deputy will call the Los Angeles County Fire Department (LACoFD) Central Dispatch at 661-259-2111, and request EMS to respond. All ambulance requests in an emergent situation will be made by Fire Dispatch. In most cases, the responding ambulance company will be American Medical Response (AMR).
- Upon confirmation that EMS has been notified and is responding, the Clinic Deputy will notify the medical staff and fill out a "PDC-South Ambulance Transportation" log sheet. This form can be located in the PDC - South share files and once completed will be given to the Watch Deputy to be kept on file. The "PDC - South Ambulance Transportation" form will serve to log arrival times of EMS and persons involved in the treatment of the inmate requiring care.
- The Watch Deputy will notify the Watch Sergeant and Watch Commander of the situation.
- Immediately upon notifying the Watch Sergeant/Watch Commander, the Watch Deputy shall prepare two complete "Medical Transportation Packets," consisting of the following documents:

A printout of the injured/ill inmates SI01, MC01, IC01, IC02, IC10 and IC12 AJIS screens.

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A printout of the inmates RAPS1 history.

A photograph of the inmate, obtained from LACRIS.

A "Hospital Security Assessment Form" (located in the South Facility share files).

- Once EMS has arrived, treated, and is ready to transport the injured/ill inmate, the Watch Deputy will provide the transporting deputies a copy of the "Medical Transportation Packet."

Inmates transported off this facility via ambulance, will be accompanied by two armed Deputies. One Deputy will ride guard in the ambulance and the other will follow in a marked Sheriff's vehicle, unless otherwise authorized by the Watch Commander.

The escorting Deputies will update the Watch Commander of their arrival at the hospital and provide an hourly update.
