

PATIENT REFUSAL OF TRANSPORT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

If allowed, initial patient assessment to include, but not limited to:

Vital signs
FSBG as indicated
Appropriate body system assessment
Cognitive screen tool

Use this AO on all PT's ≥ 18 years of age or emancipated minors who wish to refuse transport to hospital

*Emancipated minors will have identifier on Driver's License or ID Card

Patient must meet the following criteria:

- Alert and oriented to person, place, and time*
- Does not verbalize a danger to self or others
- Does not appear and denies impairment by drugs or alcohol*
- No evidence of neurological injury
- No evidence of hemodynamic instability
- No evidence of hypoglycemia (≥ 70 FSBG)
- Ability to verbalize an understanding of the risks of refusing transport up to and including permanent disability, worsening condition, or death*
- Assumes complete responsibility for the decision not to be transported OR responsible party willing to take responsibility of patient*

Contact medical direction if:

- Apparent life threatening conditions exist
- Provider is not comfortable with situation and/or the refusal
- Possible physical/psychological abuse situation

Document:

- The refusal on ePCR, showing all above criteria were met.
- Physicians name if Medical Direction is contacted.
- If law enforcement is on scene then agency, officer name and badge number need to be documented.
- Pertinent or unusual information related to incident or patient injury

* For patients **<18 years old**, or those with a valid medical power of attorney, a legal guardian must be on scene, or available via telephone, and must meet all criteria above marked with *