



Advisory 19-10 Hospital Prenotification

To: All EMS Providers

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Over the last few months, a few Performance Improvement opportunities have been identified by this office that would benefit by your attention to improve the care of patients being transported to area hospitals:

1. Please contact the receiving hospital when transport is begun for any interfacility (Urgent Care to ED, or ED to ED) that meets hospital prenotification criteria for Trauma, Stroke, STEMI, Burn, or critical patient activation. Although the sending facility may indicate that “the receiving hospital knows you are coming”, in most cases the ED does not know the exact time you will be arriving. Providing a standard MIST report along with your ETA to Medical Control of the receiving hospital shortly after departure will enhance their ability to be prepared for the time sensitive condition you are transferring.
2. Any trauma patient with a neurologic deficit (weakness or inability to feel) or neurologic deficit (numbness or tingling) requires prenotification and preferential transport to the Trauma Center. Many of these patients have injuries that will benefit by activation of the Trauma Team prior to arrival to minimize the morbidity associated with these injuries. Providing a standard MIST report inclusive of this information is critical to activate the Trauma Team. Please see the attached Trauma Alert for additional information on the importance of prenotification.

As a reminder, there are MIST Training courses available on the [Division of Prehospital Medicine Cypherworx Nation](#): “Effective Prehospital Patient Handoffs Between Providers” and “EMS Patient Handoffs in the Hospital”. For additional information regarding the MIST initiative, please see the [MLREMS website](#).

With any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

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UR TRAUMA ALERT

MEDICINE

Practice Update from the Kessler Trauma Center

Call the Trauma Facility when Performing an Inter-Facility Transfer of a Trauma Patient

Provide updates on your patient. The sending facility called report, but updates and changes are important.



Your patient may now require trauma team activation. The updates provided by the ems crew provide new information which may alter the level of care and resources required.

What to Report?

- *Change in assessment
- *Change in vital signs
- *Confirmed SBP less than 90 mmHg after trauma
- *Blood transfusion following trauma
- *All intubated patients
- *CPR following trauma
- *Extremity injury with absent pulses in limb
- *GCS less than 8
- *Penetrating trauma to head, neck, torso, back, and buttocks
- *Two or more suspected or confirmed proximal bone fx's (including pelvis)
- *History of airway compromise



585-271-2769

Call the trauma center when you are fifteen minutes away with a MIST report. This will ensure the proper resources are ready and available.

