



COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS
LAW ENFORCEMENT POLICY

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SUBJECT: OFFICER INITIATED REQUESTS FOR EMS RESPONSE
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In accordance with Policy No. 6410 (Requests for Emergency Medical Assistance), requests for medical assistance from on-scene personnel, including peace officers, will not be directed to the Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) program.

Such requests will receive either a transport (code 2) or emergency (code 3) response as specified by the requesting officer. The default response, if not specified by the requesting officer is an emergency (code 3) response.

When possible, field units should provide the following minimum patient information:

- 1. Chief complaint 3. Breathing status
2. Age and gender 4. Conscious status

If the field unit is unable to provide the conscious/breathing status, or the patient is not breathing or unconscious, dispatch will create a Code 3 response and notify the field unit.

Likewise, a field unit must be on scene and verify that a patient is breathing and conscious before dispatch will reduce or cancel responding units to any medical incident.

When possible, if the request is a precautionary for responding EMS resources to stage in the area field units should provide

- 1. Scene Location 3. Travel Route
2. Staging Location