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POLICY:	200.25 TRANSPORTING MULTIPLE PATIENTS		
APPROVAL:	VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES; MANAGER OF EMS;		
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DEPARTMENT SPECIFIC		EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES	

I. Purpose:

In order for System Vehicle Service Provider agencies to correctly use ambulances and personnel that require the transport of multiple patients from a single incident, the following will apply as a guideline.

II. Policy:

- A.** A critical ALS or ILS (red) patient should be the only patient in the ambulance with required staffing.
- B.** A routine ALS or ILS patient receiving initial/routine medical care per SMO's may have a BLS patient transported in the same ambulance, providing there is one (1) Paramedic for the ALS patient, Paramedic or EMT-I for the ILS patient, and one (1) EMT for the BLS patient.
- C.** Two (2) BLS patients may be transported in the same ambulance, providing there is proper staffing per level of care the agency is licensed to provide.
- D.** Incidents that indicate multiple patients will be transported by an ambulance for the convenience of removing them from the scene (transport, no treatment) to a receiving facility, the patient may be seat belted on the squad bench. The number of patients on this type transport may not exceed the number of seat belts available on the ambulance vehicle.

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