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POLICY:	500.18 INTER-FACILITY TRANSPORT RN		
APPROVAL:	VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES; MANAGER OF EMS;		
EFFECTIVE DATE: 2/16/2024			ORIGINAL EFFECTIVE DATE: 08/16
DEPARTMENT SPECIFIC		EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES	

I. PURPOSE:

To identify the role and scope of practice of the transport registered professional nurse (RN) regarding inter-facility transfer of patient ambulance ride time on an advance life support (ALS) ambulance in the Morris Hospital Emergency Medical Services (EMS) System.

II. POLICY:

Inter-facility Transfers

- A. Transport RN should have current American Heart Association Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support provider card or American Heart Association/American Academy of Pediatrics Pediatric Advanced Life Support provider card, depending on the age of the patient.
- B. May follow any special orders written from a transferring facility physician within his/her scope of practice. Any non-System approved medications or equipment must be supplied by the transferring facility.
- C. If no special transfer orders are written for the transport, the Paramedic must make telemetry contact with a System communicating hospital if ALS care is provided. The Paramedic and transport RN must adhere to the Morris Hospital EMS System SMOs or as directed by the approved base station emergency department physician or Emergency Communications Registered Nurse (ECRN).
- D. If telemetry radio contact is not possible, the Paramedic and transport RN must follow Region VII SMOs. The transport RN may assist the Paramedic in whatever capacity is deemed necessary.
- E. All care provided to the patient during transport must be documented on the Patient Care Report.

Approval:

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