0080 PATIENT NON-TRANSPORT OR REFUSAL

INTERMEDIATE

PARAMEDIC

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A person who has decision-making capacity may refuse examination, treatment and transport **EMS** Refer to Consent Dispatch for complete decision-making capacity guidelines A person is deemed to have decision-making capacity if he/she has the ability to provide informed consent, i.e., the patient: 1. Understands the nature of the illness/injury or Cancelled Arrived on risk of injury/illness PTA scene 2. Understands the possible consequences of delaying treatment and/or refusing transport 3. Given the risks and options, the patient voluntarily refuses or accepts treatment and/or transport. Not a patient If in doubt about patient decision-making capacity, **Patient CONTACT BASE** for physician consult. (see Pt Determination) For potentially intoxicated patients, refer to: **Drug/Alcohol Intoxication Documentation Requirements for Refusal** No Transport Confirm decision-making capacity transport EMS assistance offered and declined Risks of refusal explained to patient Patient understands risks of refusal Name of Base Station physician authorizing Determine if refusal of care unless standing order refusal Standing Order Signed refusal of care against medical advice Refusal (SOR) document, if possible Any minor with any complaint/injury is a patient and requires a PCR **High Risk Patients** Base contact is strongly recommended whenever, in the **Standing Order Refusal Base Contact** clinical judgement of the EMS Required No Base Contact required provider, the patient is at high if ALL criteria met: 5 vears old risk of deterioration without < 18 years old unless medical intervention. 18 and older, or 5 and parent/guardian on Base physician may supersede older if parent/guardian scene parental wishes when refusing on scene If uncertain about the transport of a minor child · Patient has decisionpatient's decisionwould put the minor child at risk making capacity such as - NAT, Parent is making capacity intoxicated, unstable vitals, etc.