



EQUIPMENT REQUIRED ON SCENE

APPROVED:



EMS Medical Director



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1. Purpose
 - 1.1. To enhance efficiency and teamwork between EMS first responders and transporting paramedics
 - 1.2. To ensure that paramedic crews will not need to return to the transporting ambulance for critical equipment.
2. Process
 - 2.1. The first paramedic unit on scene shall be responsible for bringing all necessary ALS and BLS equipment to the patient's side.
 - 2.2. When the patient's location is likely to be some distance (more than 200 feet) from where the transporting vehicle has parked, the transporting ambulance shall also bring in the appropriate ALS and BLS equipment.
 - 2.3. This shall include, but is not limited to, the airway bag, drug box and monitor.
 - 2.4. The transporting unit will be responsible for bringing in the gurney or stair chair when arriving on scene. The gurney or stair chair will be placed in close proximity to the patient.
 - 2.5. The first unit on-scene is encouraged to communicate with the dispatch center with patient updates including equipment requests for the incoming unit.
 - 2.6. If both agencies on-scene have all equipment, the fire crew should assist the ambulance crew when leaving the facility, as the ambulance crew will be operating the gurney.
3. Special Considerations
 - 3.1. The transporting paramedics shall consider the need for additional equipment when the fire first response vehicle or equipment may be dispatched to another scene and/or the necessary equipment is battery dependent.

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