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Title of Policy: <i>Encountering a Scene While Already Having a Patient</i>	Policy Number: Ops-111
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Policy Area: Operations	Approvals: EMSSC, EMS MD

Background to Policy:

To assure there is no interruption in patient care due to encountering another incident.

Policy Statement:

While involved in the ambulance transport of a patient on occasion the EMS crew may come upon the scene of an accident. The following guidelines shall be used to determine what action to take.

Policy:

- A. Should the EMS crew discover an emergency requiring assistance during the course of patient transport; the local 911 system will be activated. Priorities are to the onboard patient. If current transport includes more than two pre-hospital providers, one member may attend the scene while the other completes the original task.
- B. In the event, there is not a patient onboard the ambulance and an emergency situation is encountered, the crew may stop and render care. However, the local 911 system should be activated.

Resources: