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To: All Transport Agencies
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Subject: Intercepting with aeromedical resources on a hospital flight owned flight pad

Agencies,

As a system we wanted to provide some clarifications in regards to intercepting with helicopters on a hospital owned flight pad. Per our policies, it is acceptable to intercept with a helicopter on a hospital owned flight pad as long as you do not have to enter the physical building to reach the flight pad itself. When an agency is intercepting with a helicopter on a hospital owned flight pad, the ambulance shall not wait more than **5 minutes** before transporting the patient into the emergency department.

The rationale behind this is that if an EMS provider determines that a patient is sick or injured enough to require the utilization of aeromedical resources, that ambulance must not waited an extended time outside of an emergency department door, when more definitive care is available. This applies only to intercepting with helicopters on a hospital owned flight pads. If you have any further questions please contact the EMS office for further guidance.

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