



DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Division of Public Health
Office of Emergency Medical Services

Medical Director

Memorandum

TO: Larry Tan, EMS Commander, New Castle County EMS
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George Tolbert, Director, Sussex County EMS
Sgt. Jeff Evans, Paramedic Commander, Delaware State Police Aviation
Carleton E. Carey, Sr., Chairman, State Fire Prevention Commission

THROUGH: William Stevenson, Director, Office of EMS

FROM: Ross E. Megargel, DO., FACEP.
State EMS Medical Director

DATE: August 11, 1999

RE: **EMS Medical Director's Destination Policy**

CC: Steven L. Blessing, Paramedic Administrator, Office of EMS
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Dean Dobbert, MD., Kent County EMS Medical Director
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The State of Delaware's EMS Medical Directors have agreed that a patient's destination hospital should be the closest, medically appropriate facility, as determined by the medical command physician (base station physician) on duty, when the patient's (family's) wishes are felt to be in conflict with the service (agency) providing emergency medical service.



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