

## **Medical Directive**

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## **Prison Transports**

## All Transporting Providers:

To ensure the safety of providers, patients, correction officers, and bystanders, the use of lights and sirens while transporting prisoners that have an accompanying corrections vehicle within the STMCA is strongly discouraged.

As part of the safety of both the patient and EMS providers, two guards assist in the transport of the prisoner. One guard will ride with the crew and the second guard follows in another vehicle as required per their policies and procedures. Because this second vehicle does not have the ability to utilize lights and sirens, they are unable to keep up with emergency vehicles when they bypass intersections. They are also unable to follow at an appropriate speed that is safe for themselves and bystanders. For this reason, we are discouraging the use of lights and sirens by transporting units from the prison

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to us.