

## **PHYSICIAN ON SCENE**

1. Policy: To establish medical control authority on scene when a physician is present.
2. Procedure: The patient's personal physician may establish medical control and direct EMS personnel as frequently occurs when responding to a call at a doctor's office. The physician will not be required to ride to the hospital with the patient. While en route the medic will establish medical control with the emergency department physician.

A physician on scene (not the patient's personal physician) can be a valuable asset and may participate within their scope of practice; however, all interventions requiring a medical control order should be authorized by the emergency department physician.