

# Southern Illinois Regional EMS System

## B-6 TRANSPORT TO THE APPROPRIATE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

Emergency Department Classifications in accordance with section 250.710 of the Hospital Licensing Code (77ILL. Adm. Code 250).

- Standby Emergency Department:
  - A classification of a hospital emergency department where at least one registered nurse on duty in the hospital is available for emergency services at all times.
  - A licensed physician is “on-call” to the emergency department at all times.
- Basic Emergency Department:
  - A classification of a hospital emergency department where at least one licensed physician is available in the emergency department at all times.
  - Physician specialists are available in minutes.
  - Ancillary services include:
    - Lab
    - Imaging
    - Pharmacy
    - All above are staffed or are “on-call” at all times.
- Comprehensive Emergency Department:
  - A classification of a hospital emergency department where at least one licensed physician is available in the emergency department at all times:
  - Physician specialist shall be available in minutes.
  - Ancillary services include:
    - Lab is staffed at all times
    - Imaging is staffed at all times
    - Pharmacy is staffed “on-call” at all times

Patients requiring emergency pre-hospital care shall be transported to the nearest or designated hospital as outlined in the Transport Destination and Bypass/Diversion policy (Section A-15).

- The nearest hospital will be at a minimum, stand-by level.
- No patient will be transported to an emergency department that does not meet the requirements for classification as listed.