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To:
All PAEMS transport provider agencies
CC:
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Dr. J. Stephen Marshall
Julie Matson, RN

To All PAEMS Transporting Providers,

In order to more effectively and efficiently facilitate the evaluation and timely resuscitation of trauma patients being taken to the Level I Trauma Center at OSF St. Francis, it will be expected that once the patient has been delivered to the care of the trauma team, the EMS crew allow the team to first perform their initial assessment and address any emergent issues related the "ABC's" of patient care prior to giving a detailed pre-hospital report. Once the trauma team has completed their initial assessment, and pertinent interventions have been performed, the physician acting as trauma team leader will then ask for the pre-hospital report and assessment to help guide further care beyond that point.

Please be patient as we transition to this new process. The pre-hospital report remains a valued part of the patient's history, and will not be minimized. This process is simply to allow the trauma team to rapidly evaluate and address ABC's in accordance with ATLS guidelines.

Please feel free to contact me regarding any further concerns or questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew N. Jackson, M.D." with a stylized flourish at the end.

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