

In the event that a physician, other than a Medical Control Physician, should be present at the scene, he or she may direct the EMT provided he or she accepts the following restrictions:

- A. He or she must be a physician licensed to practice in the State of WI.
- B. He or she must be willing to accept responsibility for the care of the patient until arrival at the hospital (i.e., must accompany the patient in the ambulance to the hospital).
- C. He or she must be willing to accept the limitations of interventions which EMTs may perform, as outlined in Wisconsin Administrative Code, EMT-B Chapter HSS 110, EMT-1 Chapter HSS 111 EMT-P Chapter HSS 112, and HSS 113 as modified by local protocols.

If these criteria are not acceptable to the physician on the scene, the EMT must seek on-line medical control from the potential receiving hospital.

In the specific case of the patient who is being cared for by a specific physician in a nursing home, the EMT may accept orders conveyed to him or her directly by that physician via a telephone, again provided the physician is willing to accept the restrictions listed above, with the exception of provision in number B (i.e., must accompany the patient in the ambulance to the ER). These orders may cover directives regarding destinations on transfer and may also include orders to discontinue or withhold resuscitation. Any other orders that cover the spectrum of activities performed by the EMT may only be given or approved by on-line medical control. Such incidents must be carefully documented in the ambulance run report form by the EMT, and all orders should subsequently be signed by that physician.

Further medical control may be obtained, if needed, from the Medical Control Physician at the receiving hospital.