



## FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT

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### INSTRUCTIONAL BULLETIN #14-27

**TO:** All Fire and Rescue Personnel  
**FROM:** Ivan T. Mote, Division Chief/Rescue *ITM*  
**RE:** **CUSTODY OF PATIENT CARE**

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***Effective Immediately;*** when JFRD BLS and ALS units are the first arriving units to make patient contact, they are not allowed to transfer patient care to other agencies i.e. private ambulance and military ambulance with the exception being mutual aid, ATU transfers and mass casualty incidents (MCI) or events (MCE).

If transport is required, JFRD will be the primary transport agency of all patients within our response districts when we are the first arriving agency.

All medical emergencies at primary care physician offices, acute care centers, nursing homes, rehabilitation centers or any stand-alone-medical facility headed by a registered nurse or higher medical qualifications will result in a transport to the appropriate emergency room. This should be completed without resistance and in a professional manner unless a competent patient refuses.

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