

# West Michigan Regional MCC

## System Protocols Lift Assist Protocol

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### *ALS Response to Lift Assists*

**Purpose:** To provide a process for the evaluation of Lift Assist patients.

**Adopting MCAs will have an "X" under their MCA name. If no "X" is present, the MCA has not approved or adopted the protocol.**

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#### **Background:**

Advanced Life Support (ALS) transport unit response is required to evaluate lift assist patients.

#### **Procedure**

- I. Lift Assist calls are typically Priority 3 calls for Medical First Responder (MFR), Basic Life Support (BLS) and Advanced Life Support (ALS) agencies. ALS transport agencies will respond non-emergency and remain available for higher priority emergency calls.
- II. MFR agencies that respond to Lift Assist calls will assess the scene and the patient and turn the patient over to ALS transport unit upon their arrival.
- III. Those areas that are covered by ALS non-transport agencies the dispatch of an ALS transport unit will be required, but may be CANCELLED by ALS non-transporting agencies.
- IV. If the ALS transport unit responding to a MFR or BLS Lift Assist call is dispatched to a higher priority emergency, or will be delayed in response to the Lift Assist, MFR and BLS agencies may contact medical control and provide the following information:
  - a. Patients current condition
  - b. Patients vital signs
  - c. Approximate ETA of ALS transport unit, if delayed. Based upon that information, medical control may release the MFR or BLS agency.