

MEDICAL CONTROL



Prehospital Medical Control is provided in Spokane County via the Hospital Emergency Administrative Radio (H.E.A.R.) system and telephone communication systems. All practicing emergency physicians in Spokane County are designated Supervising Physicians.

Radio contact will be made between the EMS unit and the receiving hospital prior to arrival of the EMS unit at the hospital using the standard reporting format outlined under **General Guidelines for All Patients**.

Consultation with the receiving physician is available via the H.E.A.R. system or direct telephone line. Direct contact with the receiving physician should be used when the need for medical advice arises.

On occasions when communications are not technically possible or a Supervising Physician is not available, EMS personnel must rely on these policies, protocols, and their own judgment until communication can be established.

