

Pinion Pine Fire

Standard Operating Procedure
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18 - STANDARD ON MEDICAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE

PURPOSE: To ensure the safe and proper response to an incident involving medical emergencies

SCOPE: All Personnel

Response to medical emergencies shall be with one ENGINE

When responding to EMS calls, response will be to the level of the call

- **Med 1:** Non-emergency. No life threatening injuries or illness
- **Med 3:** Emergency Response: Life threatening, major injury or major illness
- **Med 4:** Emergency Response requiring Law Enforcement: Some type of disturbance with injury (I.e. Attempted suicide, family disturbance, shots fired, etc)

When responding to Med 1 calls, non-emergency procedure will be followed. Respond without lights and siren. Follow all normal driving regulations.

When responding to Med 3 calls, emergency response procedure will be followed. **(See Section 10 in the SOP's)**

When responding to Med 4 calls, response will be an emergency response, with the exception of when arriving close to the scene, a staging area will be set up and dispatch will be notified of this location. This location should be near the scene, but not in direct sight of the scene. This is a disturbance type of call, with some type of personal threat involved. To assure you safety and not to aggravate the situation, it is important that staging is implemented until told that the scene is clear to enter by dispatch. **DO NOT TRY TO BE A HERO, USE YOUR JUDGEMENT. WHEN IN DOUBT, STAY OUT.**

As with all medical emergencies and any injury type of calls, personal protection is first and foremost. Latex gloves will be worn.