

## O.B. PATIENT TRANSPORT

I. All pregnant patients greater than 20 weeks gestation with obstetrical related emergencies such as, but not limited to: abdominal pain, contractions, vaginal bleeding, ruptured membranes, or immediately postpartum are to be transported to a participating hospital designated as an appropriate perinatal facility for obstetrical patients (see attachment IV).

### A. High risk OB patients

1. Transport pregnant patients between 20-30 weeks gestation with an obstetrical related complaint to the closest Level III perinatal hospital unless the patient is deemed unstable for additional transport time. If the patient is deemed unstable the patient should be transported to the closest perinatal facility.

A patient is considered “unstable” if they exhibit any of the following:

- Display crowning or a presenting part at the perineum
- Have brisk vaginal bleeding
- Have abnormal vital signs
- Exhibit altered mental status.

**If there is any question about the “stability” of a pregnant patient, Online Medical Control should be contacted to assist with destination decisions.**

2. Pregnant woman with an obstetrical related complaint stating she has been deemed a “high risk” OB patient that requires care or delivery at one of the Region’s Level III perinatal hospitals should be transported to the closest Level III hospital unless she is unstable as defined above.

II. In rare and unusual circumstances, at the EMS personnel's discretion, in consultation with OLMC, the patient may be transported to the closest appropriate facility for stabilization.

Attachment 1: List of Participating Hospitals Designated as Appropriate Perinatal Hospitals for Obstetrical Patients

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## **PARTICIPATING HOSPITALS DESIGNATED AS APPROPRIATE PERINATAL HOSPITALS FOR OBSTETRICAL PATIENTS**

### **LEVEL II PERINATAL HOSPITALS**

Little Company of Mary Hospital & Health Care  
Centers (OSF HealthCare)  
MacNeal Hospital  
Mercy Hospital & Medical Center  
Norwegian American Hospital  
Resurrection Medical Center (AMITA Health)  
Roseland Community Hospital

Saint Anthony Hospital  
St. Margaret (Franciscan) (Indiana)  
Saints Mary & Elizabeth Medical Center - Saint  
Mary Campus (AMITA Health)  
Swedish Hospital (part of NorthShore)  
Trinity Hospital (Advocate)  
West Suburban Hospital Medical Center

### **LEVEL III PERINATAL HOSPITALS**

Christ Medical Center (Advocate)  
Illinois Masonic Medical Center (Advocate)  
Loyola University Medical Center  
Lutheran General Hospital (Advocate)  
Mount Sinai Hospital  
Northwestern Memorial Hospital

Rush University Medical Center  
Saint Joseph Hospital - Chicago (AMITA Health)  
John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County  
University of Chicago Medical Center  
University of Illinois Hospital and Health  
Sciences System

The above hospitals are participating in the Region 11 EMS System and are also designated a Level II or Level III Perinatal Hospitals as outlined in the *Illinois Regionalized Perinatal Health Care Code*.

The following Region 11 Comprehensive E.D.'s are NOT designated as appropriate perinatal hospitals for obstetrical patients:

Community First Medical Center  
Holy Cross Hospital  
Jackson Park Hospital & Medical Center  
La Grange Memorial Hospital (AMITA Health)  
Loretto Hospital  
Lurie Children's Hospital (Ann & Robert H.)  
Saint Bernard Hospital  
Saint Francis Hospital - Evanston (AMITA Health)  
South Shore Hospital  
Thorek Memorial Hospital  
Weiss Memorial Hospital