



# OVERVIEW HAZARDOUS MATERIALS



Escambia County, Florida - ALS/BLS Medical Protocol

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These protocols have been developed to address the specialized treatment of patients exposed to hazardous materials.

Some of the agents covered in these protocols may be used as a weapon of mass destruction in a terrorist attack. In these instances, **scene safety and a need to stage at a safe distance from the scene should be a primary concern for all personnel.**

The protocols cover exposure to *Chemical*, *Biological* and *Radiological* agents.

Other departments and/or organizations may have **Technician Level** protocols and employees trained to implement more definitive care plans. Use of these departments and/or organizations should be encouraged if the event is large enough and time permits. Patient care will be turned over to them as defined by protocols. They may still wish our assistance and we will assist them as we would any other agency. Other departments and/or organizations caring Technician Level care may/may not have transport capabilities. If they cannot handle transportation, transportation will fall back to Escambia County Public Safety Bureau.

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