**Purpose:** This SOG serves as a guideline for Medical Corrections Officers in the evaluation, treatment and transportation of ill or injured road crew personnel.

**Procedure:** If severe or life threatening illness or injuries are suspected an emergency response is warranted. These may include, but not limited to: Shortness of Breath, Chest Pain, Any Sever Pain (headache, stomachache, etc.), Altered Mental Status or Neurologic Deficit, Allergic Reaction, Weakness or Fainting. If emergency response is deemed necessary by the Medical Correction Officer, Escambia County EMS should be notified for emergency response to the scene as well. All serious illness or injuries should be transport to Sacred Heart Hospital Emergency Department, unless patient’s condition warrants diversion to closer hospital.

For low priority illness or injury the Medical Corrections Officer will respond in a normal traffic/transfer mode. Once on scene, gather information from corrections officer and inmate as to the nature of the illness or injury and treat accordingly. After the initial assessment and treatment determine the most appropriate mode of transport for the patient. All minor illness or injuries should be transport to Baptist Medical Park during clinic hours. After clinic hours, patients will be transported to Sacred Heart Hospital Emergency Department for evaluation.

If any possibility of further injury or deterioration in route exist due to transport by the Medical Corrections Officers in prison vehicle, have inmate transported by Escambia County EMS ambulance.

If Escambia County EMS is responding have basic information available to give radio report to ambulance responding over channel 15.

**MCO must take these items with him / her on all calls**

1. Trauma BLS bag with oxygen cylinders and airway supplies.
2. AED.
3. Personal protective equipment (PPE).
4. Injured Inmates Medical Chart

Trauma alert patients will be transported by ECEMS.

A Medical Correction Officer will accompany inmates in the EMS Units. **Follow all security protocols;** i.e. Have all the correct equipment for a secure transport of inmates to the medical facility.
Once released from emergency department or hospital, inmates will be transported to the main jail and remain there until main jail physician clears inmate to return to the road prison and supplies needed medications in blister pack form for the inmate’s return to the road prison.

Once released from Baptist Medical Park inmates must go to the main jail for sick call the following day to be reassessed and cleared by main jail physician to return to the road prison with needed medications in blister pack form.