# Middlesex London Paramedic Service and London Health Science Centre Children's Hospital Ambulance Destination Policy

## PAEDIATRIC PATIENTS BEING TRANSPORTED TO A LONDON HOSPITAL

# **BACKGROUND**

Children's Hospital London Health Sciences Centre (LHSC) provides specialized Emergency Care to paediatric patients.

#### **DEFINITION OF PAEDIATRIC PATIENT:**

For the application of this protocol only, a pediatric patient is one who is:

- Seventeen (17) years of age or less as stated by:
  - a) the patient
  - b) from other people at the scene who know the patient
  - c) from personal identification
  - d) or failing the above, in the absence of secondary sexual characteristics (i.e. body hair, breast development)

### **EXCLUSIONS**

 Paediatric patients in the County of Middlesex who are closer to a County Hospital Emergency Department

# **PROTOCOL**

For patients being transported into the city of London, Paramedics are permitted to transport all paediatric patients to Children's Hospital, LHSC ED. This is an allowable override of the closest destination.

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