

**London Central Ambulance Communications Centre, Middlesex
County Emergency Services and Southwest Ontario Regional Base
Hospital Ambulance Destination Policy**

Patient Repatriation for London and Middlesex

Background

Patients who have been recently discharged from hospital are usually best served by returning to the same site, if they are returning for care of the same problem, or a seemingly related problem.

This policy takes precedence OVER the patient priority system (ie. Time consideration) and patient preference.

Exclusions

- CTAS 1
- St. Joseph's Health Care London.
- Patients with a problem seemingly unrelated to previous admission or surgery.

Protocol

1. CTAS 2, 3, 4 or 5 patients will be returned to the ED of a facility if they:
 - a. have been discharged from an inpatient service at that facility within the past **14 days**
 - b. have undergone surgery at that facility within the past **14 days**
 - c. receive regular care at that facility (ex. Chemotherapy, hemodialysis, regular clinic visits)

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