

Procedure

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Eugene Police Department



Rendering Emergency Medical Aid

3.43.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The preservation of life is a fundamental duty for law enforcement. It is the expectation of this department that Eugene Police Officers strive to fulfill this duty. This document establishes procedures and expectations regarding the administration of medical aid by sworn employees.

3.43.2 EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITY

Eugene Police Officers will administer emergency medical aid when they encounter another person experiencing a medical emergency up to the level they have been trained, equipped, and are able. Officers will follow training and safety protocols in the administration of aid.

3.43.2.1 Training

The Eugene Police Department will provide CCR, first aid, and tourniquet training to all police officers.

3.43.2.2 In-field Considerations

Police officers will provide emergency medical aid after the scene has been rendered safe, and appropriate medical assistance has been requested by phone or radio. The following precautions will be prioritized in the decision to render aid:

- a. Immediate danger has been neutralized.
- b. Dangerous subjects have been apprehended or have fled the area.

Because of the potential of further injury, moving an injured person should only be considered if the injured person's location is unsafe or it is the only effective way to provide timely critical care.

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