

**EMS REFUSAL OF CARE
PATIENT INFORMATION SHEET**

Please Read And Keep This Form!

This form has been given to you because you have refused treatment and/or transport by the Emergency Medical Service. Your health and safety are our primary concern, so even though you have decided not to accept our advice, please remember the following:

1. The evaluation and/or treatment provided to you by the emergency medical service is not a substitute for medical evaluation and treatment by a doctor. We advise you to get medical evaluation and treatment for this condition at this time.
2. Your condition may not seem as bad to you as it actually might be. Without treatment, your condition or problem could become worse. If you are planning to get medical treatment, **a decision to refuse treatment or transport by the EMS may result in a delay which could make your condition or problem worse. Possible complications could range from temporary or permanent disability to death.**
3. Medical evaluation and/or treatment may be obtained by calling your doctor, if you have one, or by going to any hospital Emergency Department in this area. You may be seen at these Emergency Departments without an appointment at any time.
4. If you change your mind or your condition becomes worse and you decide to accept treatment and transport by the Emergency Medical Service, please do not hesitate to call us back. **Call 911 Immediately!** We will do our best to help you.
5. Don't Wait! When medical treatment is needed, it's usually better to get it right away.

NOTE: Documentation that this form was given to the patient will be included in the EMS Run Form.