I. PURPOSE: To describe the process to be followed when EMS personnel determine that an unaccompanied minor does not need ambulance transport.

II. AUTHORITY: Sections 1797.200 and 1798, California Health & Safety Code; Section 100148, Title 22, Division 9 California Code of Regulations.

III. POLICY: The following procedure will be followed when field personnel assess a minor patient who is unaccompanied by a responsible adult and who is determined not to have an illness or injury requiring ambulance transport.

IV. PROCEDURE:

A. The patient is assessed according to Policy 603. Field personnel should attempt to contact the parent(s) of the patient.

B. The currently approved ePCR will be completed per Policy 1000 and 603.

C. The field personnel will document the name/badge# of an officer who will assume responsibility for the child until his/her parent(s) arrive.