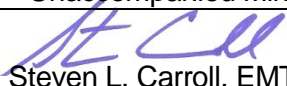



COUNTY OF VENTURA HEALTH CARE AGENCY		EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES POLICIES AND PROCEDURES	
Policy Title: Unaccompanied Minors		Policy Number 618	
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- I. PURPOSE: To describe the process to be followed when EMS personnel determine that an unaccompanied 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 EMS protocols. Field personnel should consider using their cellular telephone to contact the parent(s) of the patient.
 - B. The currently approved Patient Care Report will be completed, documenting that no illness or injuries requiring ambulance transport are present.
 - 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.
 - D. An AMA signature is not needed.