

What is a patient?

The consensus position of the EMS Medical Directors of Texas follows and is submitted to the GETAC Medical Directors' Committee for consideration in open discussion:

"A patient is any person who, upon contact with an EMS system, presents with a complaint, circumstance, and/or condition that might require further assessment or treatment."

"The standard of judgment is that of reasonable and prudent EMS personnel."

"The designated system Medical Director is responsible for promulgating specific criteria for designation of a patient within the above general guideline."