

Southern Illinois Regional EMS System

A-6.3 PATIENT REFUSAL INFORMATION SHEET

PLEASE READ AND KEEP THIS FORM

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

- The evaluation and/or treatment provided to you by the EMS unit is not a substitute for medical evaluation and treatment by a physician.
- Your condition may not seem as bad to you as it actually is. Without treatment, your condition could become worse. If you are planning to get medical treatment, a decision to refuse treatment and/or transport by EMS may result in a delay which could make your condition worse.
- Medical evaluation and/or treatment may be obtained by calling 911, contacting your physician or by going to the Hospital Emergency Department in this area.
- If you change your mind or your condition becomes worse and you decide to accept treatment and/or transport, please do not hesitate to call us back. We will do our best to help you.
- Don't wait! When medical treatment is needed, it is usually better to get it right away.