

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 a reasonable and prudent medic."

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