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Chapter 4 Class Notes

Scope of Practice – a set of regulations and ethical considerations that define the scopes or extent and limits, of the EMT's job

Standard of Care – Care that would be expected to be provided by an EMT, no more, no less

Consent – permission from patient for care or other actions performed by the EMT

Expressed Consent – consent given by adults who are of legal age and mentally competent to make rational decision in regards to their medical well-being

Implied Consent – consent that is presumed by the patient, or patient's parent or guardian if they could give it

In Loco parentis – in place of a parent, including a person who'd give consent when parents are unavailable to provide consent

Refusal Requirements:

- Legal Age
- AAOx4
- Fully Informed
- Asked to sign a refusal form; compliant with release form

Liability – being held legally responsible

Persuasive strategy for consent:

- Speak with them
- Learn why they are refusing
- Inform them about consequences
- Consult medical direction
- Ask to contact their family
- Call law enforcement

Assault – Placing a person in fear of bodily harm

Battery – causing bodily harm or restraining a person

DNR – legally signed by the patient & physician which states "Do Not Resuscitate"

Advance Directive – A DNR order; instructions written in advance of a medical event

Physician order of life sustaining treatment – physician orders that state the patient's wishes regarding certain medical treatments