Rural EMS Transport and Transfer Destination Process for Suspected/Confirmed COVID-19 Patients

*Mandatory Principle: RAAPID to be consulted

**From Scene**
- EMS Caring for unstable symptomatic ILI/COVID patient
  - Consult with OLMC
  - Transport destination decision by OLMC/TP/IOC/RAAPID* in consultation with nearest receiving ED
  - Transportation logistics to be coordinated by EMS dispatch
  - Considerations:
    - BLS vs ALS crew
    - Receiving site resources and capacity
    - Physician available/prepared for intubation?
    - Stop at closest facility able to stabilize/intubate then transfer (arranged by EMS prior to local site arrival)
- Early EMS notification to receiving facility
- Patient received by designated ED

**From Scene**
- EMS Caring for symptomatic ILI/COVID but stable patient
  - Transport to local ED/UCC
  - Edmonton only – IOC decides which ED/UCC
  - Early EMS notification to receiving facility
  - Patient received by local ED/UCC

**Interfacility Transfer**
- Patient requires higher level of care
  - Call RAAPID* who will coordinate transfer destination and consult with responsible Physician
  -Transport required to higher level of care
  - Transportation will be coordinated with EMS
  - EMS Consult with OLMC/TP as required
  - Early EMS notification to receiving facility
  - Patient received by designated facility

**Legend:**
- IOC – Edmonton Integrated Operations Centre
- OLMC – Online Medical Control
- RAAPID* – Referral, Access, Advice, Placement, Information & Destination
- TP – Transport Physician

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