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**To:** EMS Staff  
**From:** Tom Russell, EMS Coordinator  
**CC:** EMS Management Personnel  
**Date:** September 16, 2010  
**Re:** Intubated Patient on Portable Ventilator Guideline

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Interfacility Transportation of Intubated Patients](#)

In order to maintain a high quality of care during the interfacility transfer of intubated patients, the MidState Medical Center has enacted the following policies:

1. Continuous EKG, Pulse Oximetry and End-tidal CO<sub>2</sub> production will be measured continuously during the transfer of intubated patients.
2. The intubated patient should be on a portable ventilator. Reliance on BVM ventilation should only occur during equipment failure, patients outside of the specifications for the approved ventilator, or transfer between devices.
3. A second healthcare provider in the patient compartment should only be required during unstable critical patient transport upon physician request or when resuscitative efforts require it.

Any questions on above guideline please contact me at 203-694-5765