

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office Medical Treatment

A suspect must be transported to a medical facility for examination/treatment by qualified medical personnel whenever the person:

- * Strikes his head on a hard object, or sustains a blow to the head/face, as a result of the application of force by a Deputy, regardless of how minor any injury to the head/face may appear. The Deputy transporting the suspect shall inform the doctor that the suspect was struck on the head or struck his head,
- * Is restrained with a carotid restraint, or any kind of neck/throat restraint, whether or not he is rendered unconscious. The Deputy transporting the suspect shall inform the medical staff of the fact that the suspect was restrained with a carotid restraint and whether or not he was rendered unconscious,
- * Is hit with a specialized weapon projectile (such as an Arwen round, TASER dart, Stunbag, etc.),
- * Is sprayed with oleoresin capsicum spray (unless qualified medical clearance is obtained in the field),
- * Has injuries that appear to require medical treatment,
- * Alleges any injury and requests medical treatment, whether or not he has any apparent injuries,
- * Alleges that substantial force was used against him, whether or not he has any apparent injuries or requests medical treatment,
- * Has the Total Appendage Restraint Procedure (TARP) applied on them (unless qualified medical clearance is obtained in the field). Refer to section 3-01/110.22 file:///web1/wwwroot/Intranet/P%26P_Manual/Vol3/3-01/3-01-110.22.htm for additional information.

Any doubt regarding the need for medical treatment shall be resolved by transporting