NYS NEMSIS 3.5.0 | Educational Snip #2024-001

eDisposition.27, .28, .29, .30, .31, & .32

Q: How did disposition documentation change under NEMSIS 3.5?

Incident/patient disposition (otherwise known as Outcome) (eDisposition.12) was split into 6 elements:

- Unit Disposition (eDisposition.27)
- Patient Evaluation/Care (eDisposition.28)
- Crew Disposition (eDisposition.29)
- Transport Disposition (eDisposition.30)
- Reason for Refusal/Release (optional eDisposition.31)
- Level of Care Provided per Protocol (eDisposition.32)

Unit Disposition (eDisposition.27)

6 response options and is mandatory in NY:

- Patient contact made.
- Cancelled on scene. (includes no patient contact)
- Cancelled prior to arrival at scene. (formerly known as cancelled enroute)
- No patient contact
- No patient found
- Non-patient incident

If patient contact is made, various elements in eHistory, eSituation, eTimes, and eDisposition are required.

Patient Evaluation/Care (eDisposition.28)

5 response options and is required in NY:

- Patient evaluated and care provided.
- · Patient evaluated and refused care.
- Patient evaluated; no care required.
- Patient refused evaluation/care.
- Patient support services provided.

Crew Disposition (eDisposition.29)

7 response options and is required in NY:

- Initiated and continued primary care.
- Initiated primary care and transferred to another EMS crew. [e.g crew sharing, ALS Intercepts]
- Provided care supporting primary EMS crew.
- Assumed primary care from another EMS crew. [Ambulance assuming care from First Response]
- · Incident support services provided.
- Back in service, no care/support services required.
- Back in service, care/support services refused.

Transport Disposition (eDisposition.30)

8 response options and is required in NY:

- Transport by this EMS Unit (this crew only)
- Transport by this EMS unit with a member of another crew
- Transport by another EMS Unit
- Transport by another EMS Unit Unknown destination
- Transport by another EMS unit with a member of this crew
- Transport Unknown [if an agency leaves scene before a transport decision is made]
- Patient refused transport
- Non-patient transport
- No transport [includes all cancelled responses]

Reason for Refusal/Release (eDisposition.31)

8 response options and is optional in NY, your ePCR vendor may or may not have this field available. If the field is available, you should use it if/when:

- Against Medical Advice
- Patient/Guardian Indicates Ambulance Transport is Not Necessary
- Released Following Protocol Guidelines [includes any medical control contact]
- Released to Law Enforcement
- Patient/Guardian States Intent to Transport by Other Means
- Do Not Resuscitate
- Medical/Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment
- Other, Not Listed

Level of Care Provided per Protocol (eDisposition.32)

7 response options and is required in NY.

***Until appropriate changes are made to this field, EMT - Critical Care Technicians (EMT-CC) providing ALS care per protocol, shall select "ALS-Paramedic"

- BLS All Levels
- ALS Advanced EMT
- ALS Paramedic
- EMS and Other Health-Care Staff
- Critical Care [Specialty Care Transports]
- Integrated Health Care
- No Care Provided