

Extended EMS Response

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1. Unless there are medical personnel already on scene treating the patient (such as at a health center), the Boston Fire Department shall be notified and requested to respond to incidents within their jurisdiction having the TYPE Code: **ILL1, OBGYN1, INHEM1, SHOT, STAB, INJ2, RESP2, or EMSINV** whenever one of the following situations exists:
 - 1.1. If, after polling unit availability or preempting units from lower priority assignments, the dispatcher has no unit available and has reason to believe no unit will become available within five (5) minutes of call entry.
 - 1.2. Whenever a unit will become available shortly (within five minutes of call entry) but because of their location or traffic conditions the dispatcher has reason to believe that their ETA will be eight (8) minutes or greater.
 - 1.3. Whenever a unit (or all units in the case of a multi-unit response) is dispatched to an incident and advises the dispatcher they will have an “**extended**” ETA in reaching the incident location.
 - 1.4. Whenever the dispatcher feels it may be beneficial for the patient to receive a first responder assignment regardless of the TYPE Code or unit availability (e.g. when a patient suffers a minor foot injury but is outside during a snowstorm).

See related SOP: “Response Acknowledgment Format”