



Module 4: On-Scene Responsibilities

Baltimore Police
Department

Objectives



List & explain police-only responsibilities during dual response calls.

List & explain fire-only responsibilities during dual response calls.

List & explain shared responsibilities of the BPD and BCFD during dual response calls.

Analyze & discuss the responses of both BPD and BCFD to dual response calls, while also citing policy.

Sequence the events of a dual response call.

Determine the validity of statements related to on-scene responsibilities.



What are some police-only responsibilities?

Maintain	scene safety and security	
Establish	boundaries and control the perimeter	
Render	aid, when needed, until BCFD is on scene	
Request	a supervisor to the scene of any significant incident	
Provide	BPD presence for the duration of BCFD treatment and transport of EP patients	
Transport	EP with no apparent medical complaint	
Restrain	an actively resistant individual	Totality of circumstances

**This list is not exhaustive.*



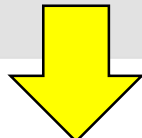
What are some fire-only responsibilities?

Evaluate	scene and resources
Assess & Determine	capacity of patient
Establish	medical care
Transport	patient to nearest medical facility for evaluation

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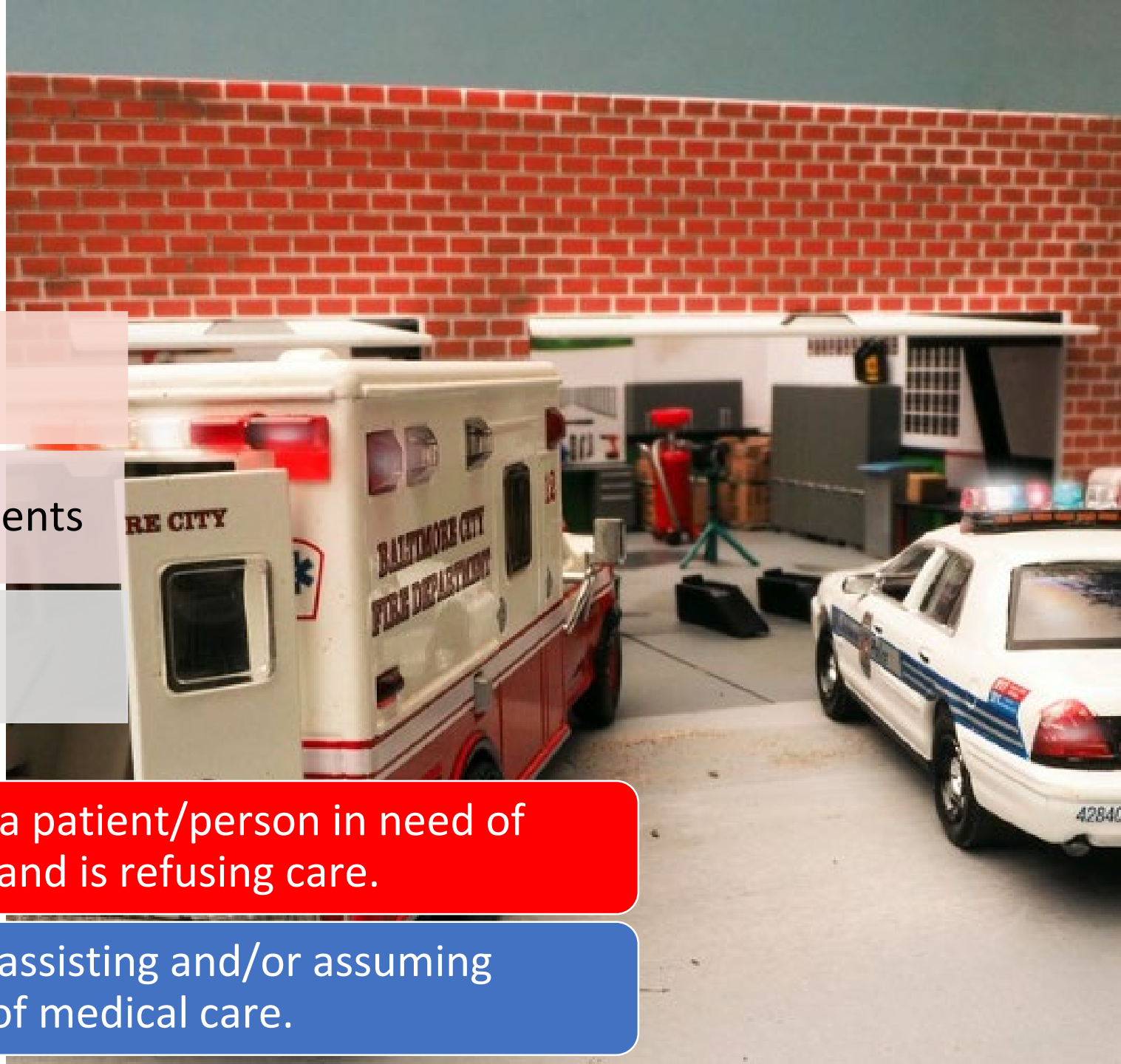
What are some shared responsibilities of both the BPD & BCFD?

Provide	care for individual
Conduct	continuous assessments
Communicate	with one another



BCFD communicates with BPD when a patient/person in need of medical care does not have capacity and is refusing care.

BPD communicates with BCFD when assisting and/or assuming custody of a patient/person in need of medical care.



- Both
- BPD
- BCFD

Dual Response Sequence of Events



Dual
response 911
call



Fire/Police
arrive



Police
assess scene
for security
and safety



Fire
identifies
victim /
patient /
consumer



Fire
assesses
capacity and
any medical
needs



Fire & Police
communicate
what the
individual's
needs are and
what
necessary
actions take
priority



Transport
responsibility,
if necessary,
is determined





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Case Study Analysis

What did you notice about each department's roles?



BCFD Response

BPD Response

Case Study #1 – Dual Response Call

Place holder.

Case Study #1

Who assumed care?

BCFD

What did you notice about each department's roles?

BCFD Response

- BCFD assumed care because the person had acute physical injury.
- BCFD attended to the acute medical problem.
- BCFD assessed that hospital care was indicated.

BPD Response

- BPD deescalated individual who was non-compliant.
- BPD reported to BCFD that individual was apparently suicidal.
- BPD conducted weapons pat down.
- BPD followed to ensure safe transport.

Case Study #2 – Dual Response Call

Place holder.

Case Study #2

Who assumed care/custody?

BPD

What did you notice about each department's roles?

BCFD Response

- BCFD assumed care / custody because the person had blood on clothing and injury needed assessment.
- BCFD attempted to deescalate in order to evaluate the individual.
- BCFD requested assistance from officer because BCFD was not being successful in de-escalation and initiating physical assessment.

BPD Response

- BPD assists in engaging the person, to enable BCFD assessment of injury.
- Because injury is minor and individual may have MH need, BPD assumes responsibility.
- BPD continues to deescalate and engages individual to gain more information.
- BPD assesses that individual is not immediately dangerous to self but is in need of help.
- BPD gains consent for MH alternative to hospitalization.
- BPD contacts BCRI, requests MCT and offers additional resources, including immediate phone counseling.

True or False?



The fire department must restrain their own patients.

FALSE

It's the fire department's responsibility to assess capacity.

TRUE

BPD prioritizes medical needs for a person(s).

FALSE

BCFD communicates with BPD when a patient/person in need of medical care does not have capacity and is refusing care.

TRUE

BPD communicates with BCFD when assisting and/or assuming custody of a patient / person in need of medical care.

TRUE

Questions?





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