

Determine Mode of Transport

	BLS	ALS1	ALS2	SCT
<~ 20 miles (ground)	GA	GA	GA	GA
~ 20 – 100 miles	GA	GA	RWA	RWA
> ~100 miles	GA/FWA	GA/FWA	FWA/RWA	FWA/RWA

Exceptions to consider:

- rush hour traffic
- weather
- know if there's an airport in the town
- the referral or accepting physician insisting on a specific mode of transport
- first choice out of service or on transport

Notes:

- Significant delays due to rush hour traffic can be avoided by using the RWA for trips < 20 miles
- If there is not an airport in the town we need to get to use of the RWA is appropriate even when >100 miles (Marshall)
- Customer service is top priority and it is the referral physician's legal responsibility to determine the appropriate mode of transport.
- The RWA has the capacity of traveling 300 miles or more without refueling
- The RWA is usually faster than the FWA at distances up to 120 miles.
- If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact the Manager-on-call
- If Dr. Sheehan says to take the helicopter on any call, take the helicopter.