

EMERGENCY TREATMENT

In the event that you are not with your child when an emergency situation occurs, you should know that your child cannot receive treatment without your consent. When leaving your child in the care of others, a signed release form will help your child avoid an unnecessary delay of treatment. Neither grandparents, neighbors, brothers nor

sisters can authorize medical care for your child. **Your written consent is required before your youngster can receive emergency treatment.** However, if a physician feels immediate treatment is necessary to prevent death or serious injury, treatment will begin.

To insure immediate medical attention for your child in your absence, complete this form and leave it with your child's caregiver.

Mercy Medical Center-Des Moines

1111 6th Ave.

Des Moines, Iowa 50314-2611

**Emergency Services available
24 hours a day.**

**Mercy Emergency Services:
(515) 247-3211**




WHERE THE EXPERTS ARE




MEDICAL
CENTER
DES MOINES

A member of Mercy Health Network

1111 6th Ave.
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www.mercydesmoines.org

**EMERGENCY TREATMENT
AUTHORIZATION FOR
MINORS**

MEDICAL HISTORY

Child's physician

Date of last tetanus/diphtheria

Child's allergies

Medications taken regularly

Chronic illness/medical problems

Additional instructions:

AUTHORIZATION

As the parent and/or guardian, I authorize medical treatment by a physician in the event of an emergency. This authorization is granted only after a reasonable effort has been made to reach me.

Child's name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Signature (parent or legal guardian): _____

Relationship to child: _____

Home Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

WHAT TO DO IN A MEDICAL EMERGENCY

- 1) Dial 911 if an ambulance is needed.
- 2) Call your family physician for emergency circumstances if time allows.
- 3) Go immediately to the Emergency Department at Mercy Medical Center or the closest hospital of your choice.

MERCY MEDICAL CENTER CAMPUS MAP

