



## **Auto-Accept Policy**

### **Purpose:**

To facilitate patient transfers from emergency departments that have transfer agreements with Le Bonheur Children's Hospital.

**Auto-Accept** is the process followed when a patient who meets the following criteria of eligibility can be transferred to Le Bonheur Children's Hospital in Memphis, TN, without speaking directly to an Emergency Physician for acceptance.

**Eligibility** for auto-accept includes patients with the following diagnoses:

1. Foreign body in the esophagus
  - a. Cannot be a button battery
  - b. Radiograph confirms the foreign body is in the esophagus (not in the airway, stomach or intestines).
2. Acute unruptured appendicitis
  - a. Hemodynamically stable
  - b. Confirmed by CT or US
3. Fracture that needs orthopedic intervention
  - a. Neurovascularly intact
  - b. No signs of compartment syndrome
4. All menarche female need to have a negative pregnancy test.

### **Process:**

If your patient meets the eligibility criteria:

1. Contact the Transfer Center at **901-287-4408**.
2. Provide patient demographic information.
3. Provide recent vitals (temperature, blood pressure, pulse and pulse oximeter).
4. You can request PediFlite transport if needed. Please inform the Transfer Center.
5. Refer to the Le Bonheur website for any questions about management of these diagnosis.

**\*At any time if you wish to speak to an Emergency Physician you will be connected.**