

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT POLICIES

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Patient Population

Neonate	√
Pediatric	√
Adolescent	√
Adult	√
Geriatric	√

Policy:

The Mount Sinai Hospital maintains a fully equipped emergency care facility on the main corridor level in the northeast corner of the Guggenheim Pavilion. Ambulances will use the entrance on 101st Street between Madison and Fifth Avenue; ambulatory and wheelchair-bound patients enter via the Madison Avenue entrance.

This facility is open 24 hours/day, seven days/week, with physician staff on-site or available through consultation at all times.

A physician must see every patient who enters the Emergency Department. No hospital employee may interfere in any way with patients seeking emergency care regardless of diversion status.

Thus, all problems presenting through the Emergency Department may be evaluated there and handled within the Hospital, with the following exceptions where transfers from Mount Sinai to other FDNY EMS 911 designated outside facilities may be required after initial evaluation and management in the Emergency Department itself:

1. Patients requiring detoxification, either drug or alcohol.
2. Patients with severe burns requiring the specialized care of a burn center.
3. Replantation patients.
4. Trauma Center candidates
5. Patients requiring hyperbaric treatment.