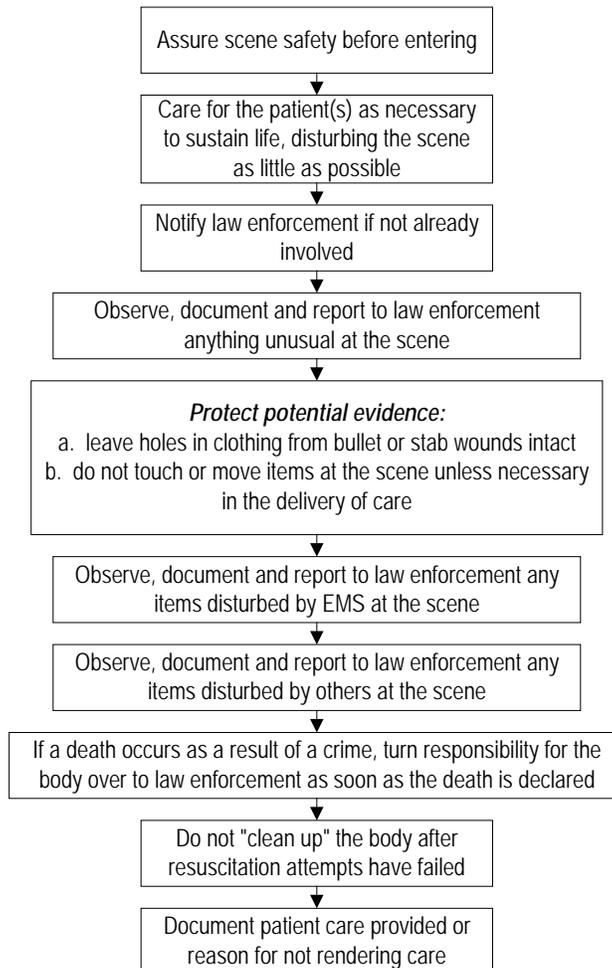




**POTENTIAL CRIME SCENE  
Operational Policy**

**POLICY:** A potential crime scene is defined as a location where any part of a criminal act occurred, where evidence relating to a crime may be found, or suspicions that a criminal act may have occurred.



**NOTES:**

- Cooperate with police for information gathering at scene, such as:
  - Disruption of scene by EMS personnel or others
  - Names of responding EMS personnel
  - Medical care provided to the patient
- All documentation is to be noted in objective terms
- Patient's or bystanders' statements are to be put in quotes
- Avoid documentation not relevant to patient care
- The patient care record is a legal document and will be used in court
- The patient care record is confidential and protected by state statutes