Keeping Kids Safe in Ambulances

Over 20 million patients transported annually nationwide

Over 1 million pediatric patients transported annually nationwide

5,000 ambulance crashes annually

Of those, 10% involve kids

Child transported unrestrained

16% in 1999  12% in 2009

Child transported on caregiver's lap

12% in 1999  14% in 2009

0% of children less than 3 years old were transported properly in 2009 study

What happens when children aren't restrained in an ambulance crash?

Head Trauma  Internal Hemorrhage
Chest Trauma  Internal Decapitation
Neck Trauma  Death

References:


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