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| Code |  | Interpretation | Appropriateness |
| 0 |  | Patient treated on scene or refusing hospitalization | ALS intervention inappropriate |
| 1 |  | Preserved vital functions  - Low evolution risk  - Hospitalization with low priority |
| 2 |  | Preserved vital functions  - High evolution risk  - Hospitalization with high priority |
| ALS | Hospitalization with high priority and physician on board: - STEMI - direct access to cath lab - Trauma borderline - stable major trauma - ICU alert - CPAP - Other potentially evolving condition | ALS intervention appropriate |
| 3 |  | Unstable vital signs or advanced airway management - Hospitalization with high priority and physician on board  - ICU involvement, intensivist waiting at the ED at ambulance arrival - Trauma team involvement - Operating room alert in case of direct access to surgery |
| 4 |  | Dead on scene |
| Supplement Table 1 - Return codes and appropriateness of ALS intervention | | | |
| Abbreviations: STEMI - ST elevated myocardial infarction; ICU - Intensive Care Unit; CPAP - Continuous Positive Airway Pressure; ED - Emergency Department | | | |