

**Michigan SYSTEM**  
**OB HIGH-RISK DELIVERY TRANSPORT GUIDELINES**  
(MCA Optional Protocol)

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***OB High-Risk Delivery Transport Guidelines (MCA Optional Protocol)***

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**Purpose:**

This policy is to establish guidelines for transport of women with pregnancy of more than 20 weeks and less than 34 weeks gestation in active labor, as these infants may require newborn intensive care.

1. In all cases where delivery is imminent, transport will be to the closest emergency receiving facility.
2. If labor is brought on by medical illness or injury of the mother, appropriate medical treatment of the mother is the first priority. This is also the most appropriate treatment of the newborn.
3. If time allows, any woman in active labor with a gestational period of more than 20 weeks and less than 34 weeks, in anticipation of delivery of a high risk newborn, should be taken to (list facilities and instructions for where to proceed with the patient):

**NOTE: This protocol was created as a template to be used for each MCA to determine the most appropriate transport decisions for the high-risk OB patient in their individualized MCA areas.**