











# WHEN TO USE THE EMERGENCY ROOM

## When it is an Emergency

An emergency is when you believe you have a medical problem that needs immediate attention to treat a lot of pain or a serious illness. Here are examples of emergencies:

-  Can't breathe
-  Seizure
-  Choking
-  A lot of bleeding
-  Unconsciousness
-  Not able to move or speak
-  A lot of pain
-  Taken poison
-  Feel you have broken bones
-  Deep cuts or severe burns

If you have an emergency go to the hospital emergency room closest to you right away. If you cannot get there right away, call 9-1-1.

## When you are not sure you have an Emergency.

Call your primary care provider (PCP). Your PCP will tell you what you should do. Your PCP may give you an appointment to see him, or tell you to go to the urgent care center, or to the emergency room.