

# **MAKING THE RIGHT CHOICE**

## ***First Aid vs. Medical Treatment***

### **THINK FIRST:**

**“What would I do if my injury occurred at home?”**

**“Does my injury warrant professional medical treatment?”**

**“What are my financial risks?”**

### **BENEFITS OF FIRST AID TREATMENT**

- **Reduces lost time from work**
- **Saves department and County money**
- **Decreased insurance premiums**
- **Designed to treat non-emergency situations**
- **Minimizes length of medical treatment**
- **Saves lives**

### **REMEMBER:**

**First Aid treatment is for non-emergency situations or as a first response and support for responding professional emergency personnel.**

**Medical treatment should occur following first aid and for serious injuries and illnesses.**