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The American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) supports good Samaritan protection legislation designed to reduce liability exposure. ACEP also supports the extension of existing good Samaritan legislation to provide protection from liability for emergency physicians who respond to emergencies outside the emergency department, including but not limited to in-hospital and out-of-hospital emergencies, mass casualty incidents, and other disasters.