

Helicopter transport needed following Friday afternoon crash

(KAIR)--A two vehicle, late Friday afternoon Atchison County crash, sends four to the hospital.

According to a report from the Atchison County Sheriff's Office, it happened shortly after 4:00, on U.S. Highway 73, south of the Atchison City limits.

It was there that Atchison County resident Ronald Depinto attempted to turn his northbound pickup truck onto 234th Road, and was struck by a northbound Cadillac Escalade that attempted to pass his Ford Ranger on the left, in the southbound lane.

Striking the truck on the front end, the Escalade went out of control, rolling over several times along the shoulder of the highway.

Two Kansas City, Kansas residents in the SUV, identified as Wallace Fox, Jr., and Stephanie Hill, were both ejected.

Fox was flown from the scene by helicopter to the University of Kansas Hospital, in Kansas City, Kansas.

Hill was transported by ambulance to Mosaic Life Care, in Saint Joseph, Missouri.

The report says it's unclear which of the two was driving the Escalade.

A young child traveling with them, estimated to be 3 to 4-years-old, was also transported to Mosaic with what the report calls very minor injuries.

Depinto was treated at the scene by EMS, but later taken by private vehicle to the Atchison Hospital with minor injuries.

The Sheriff's Office continues to investigate.

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