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A Weekly Safety Newsletter For Medical Transport Professionals

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'Twas the Crash Before Christmas



'Twas the crash before Christmas and we were all glad,
About the Arrive Alive training we recently had.

Routine transfers took up most of the night.
So, who'd have thought that we'd get such a fright?

The streets were all shiny with ice and bright snow.
To use "Due Regard", I drove really slow.

When checking my mirrors, I saw such a fool.
Hadn't he heard of the four second rule?

He came speeding at us through the ice and the slush.
When he caught us, he passed us, but didn't miss us by much.

I didn't get angry or lose my cool.
Controlling emotions is a powerful tool.

The weather got worse. The ice much thicker.
As the night got darker, the roads got slicker.

Then up ahead I saw a terrible sight.
The car that passed us was crashed on the right.

The windshield was gone. The car a complete wreck.
What did he hit to make him eject?

Whatever he did to lose control,
he was going so fast four times he did roll.

There were no other cars, critters or such.
For the conditions at hand, his speed was too much.

When we finally found him the shape of his head,
Told us quickly that this guy was dead.

When the coroner came and we could go on our way,
We looked at each other with nothing to say.

Back at the station we both felt relief,
That we spared our families such holiday grief.

The best gift we can give them is to always safely drive.
Because if we don't, we won't "Arrive Alive."

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