



Mary Washington Healthcare

To: EMS Agencies
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Subject: **Current EMS Medication Shortages – UPDATED MWHC LIST**

These shortages are in effect for all MWHC facilities based on our ability to order under national drug shortages, and backorders by the manufacturers under the current contracts we hold. Please distribute the updated list below to your ALS providers. Your providers may see these drugs as previously distributed in hospital medication boxes currently in the field or the Med Acudose until that stock is depleted or expired.

Medication Shortage	Approved Alternative Provided	Effective Date
Vasopressin	None	3/3/2015
Mini-Spikes	Unable to order under National Shortage/Backorder	4/10/2015

The list of regional EMS medications below are currently being provided by MWHC in an alternate package or dose as available under the national drug shortages.

Medication	Current Packaging / Dosage Available for EMS
Etomidate (1- 40mg vial)	Effective 5/6/2013: 2 - 20mg/10ml vials will be provided per kit
Zofran (4mg vials)	Effective 4/10/2015 4mg Zofran vials will be provided. Effective 1/5/2015 1 each will be placed in the Med Box and Narcotic Kit.
Versed 5mg/5ml (pre-filled syringe)	Currently provided in 5mg/5ml vials
Amiodarone	Effective 3/2015 will provide 1 - 900mg/18ml vial (previously provided as 4 - 150mg/3ml vials)
Naloxone	Effective 4/2015 will provide 1 – 2mg/2ml Inj. (previously 0.4mg/ml (10ml vial) but unable to obtain vial under shortage)

The list of regional EMS medications below are currently unavailable through MWHC and under review with the Regional Pharmacy Committee for inclusion in the Narcotic Kits.

Medication	Current Packaging / Dosage Available for EMS
Ketamine Fentanyl Lorazepam Diazepam	Versed and Morphine are provided in the current Narcotic Kit for indications of seizures, sedation and severe pain.

Should you have any questions regarding MWHC available EMS medications do not hesitate to contact me at 540-741-1192 or by email at Christina.Skinner@mwhc.com.