



Mary Washington Healthcare

To: EMS Agencies
From: Tina Skinner, EMS Coordinator
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Subject: **Current EMS Medication Shortages**

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
Calcium Chloride	MWHC is experiencing a shortage of the Calcium Chloride abbojects. Shipment is on backorder. Will be unable to replace in used Med Kits and will see depleted in EMS Med Acudose during shortage.	4/12/2017
Sodium Bicarb	MWHC will only be able to stock 1 Sodium Bicarb in EMS Drug Kits during shortage. For those doing a one for one exchange please only stock 1 in your med bags.	2/28/2017

Alerts on other medications and devices reported:

Medication Change / Needle Issue	Approved Alternative Provided	Effective Date
Mucosal Device	New Mucosal Devices have been received by MWHC. These will be issued in Med Kits and Acudose. The new device is slightly different in design (plastic tip versus foam tip)	3/1/2017
Dextrose 10% 250ml Bag & Toradol Added	These new medications are being added to the Pharmacy issued Med Boxes and EMS Med Acudose in support of the REMS Protocol Update of 12/2016. Effective May 1, 2017 MWHC will no longer provide the D25 and D50 abbojects.	2/1/2017
Sterile Water Bullets removed from Narcotic Kits	Regional Pharmacy Committee approved this change. EMS providers may use normal saline from your supply to reconstitute Vecuronium when needed.	10/7/2016

Carpuments which are no longer in use by EMS will be removed as kits are exchanged.

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.