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## Region XI EMS Monthly Pearls

- October is **Sudden Cardiac Arrest** awareness month! Our increasing survival outcomes in the Region XI EMS system are due to the important collaboration between bystanders, dispatchers, EMS providers, and hospital personnel.
- All cardiac arrests should be uploaded to **Codestat** for review and feedback regarding the EMS component of the resuscitation. Many are still not uploaded or incorrectly performed in 'Lead 2' instead of the required 'Paddles' mode.
- **Illinois Poison Center** (IPC) is a resource for EMS and hospital providers to consult with a specialist on ingestions and may be reached at 1-800-222-1222.
- The **Chicago Marathon** is Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, please be aware of road closures and exercise-induced hyponatremia and hyperthermia in race participants.
- Don't forget to register for a **Target Solutions** account! All EMT-Basic and Paramedics in the Region XI EMS System should create an account by 10/31/17. More information can be found at <https://chicagoems.org/target-solutions/>

Questions? Contact your hospital EMS Coordinator or EMS Medical Director

