



ADVOCATE ILLINOIS MASONIC MEDICAL CENTER  
JOHN H. STROGER JR. HOSPITAL OF COOK COUNTY  
NORTHWESTERN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO MEDICAL CENTER

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TO: Region XI, Chicago EMS Providers  
Region XI, Chicago EMS Resource Hospital Pharmacies

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#### **MEMORANDUM FROM THE CHICAGO EMS MEDICAL DIRECTORS**

At the request of EMS providers and in an effort to provide clarification and standardization for the replacement of all expiring pre-hospital medications (both controlled and non-controlled) in the Chicago EMS Systems, we provide the following guideline:

Expiring medications will only be replaced by an EMS provider's/vehicle's assigned Resource Hospital during the 7 calendar days prior to the date of expiration. Expired medication exchanges will only be honored for uniformed EMS providers with EMS agency identification on business days during designated pharmacy hours, as listed below. Medication with an expiration date that only includes month and year, expire on the final day of the expiration month.

Example: Medication expires 10/2012  
Replacement by assigned Resource Hospital October 24 - 31, 2012

Example: Medication expires 10/1/2012  
Replacement by assigned Resource Hospital September 24 – October 1, 2012

Medications will only be replaced during the final 7 days of the shelf-life of the medication.

#### **Resource Hospital Pharmacy Information**

##### **Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center**

EMS Pharmacy Exchange Site: Emergency Department or Pharmacy (Ground Level)  
Hours for exchange: 0800 – 2200 HRS on business days  
EMS Pharmacy Contact: Megan Corrigan, PharmD, BCPS  
Telephone Number: (773) 296-8093

##### **John H. Stroger Jr. Hospital of Cook County**

EMS Pharmacy Exchange Site: Stroger Emergency Department  
Hours for exchange: 0900 – 1700 HRS on business days  
EMS Pharmacy Contact: Joanne Mazur-Routsolias, PharmD, RN, BCPS  
Telephone Number: (312) 740-6423

##### **Northwestern Memorial Hospital**

EMS Pharmacy Exchange Site: 9th floor Pharmacy  
Hours for exchange: 0800 – 1700 HRS on business days  
EMS Pharmacy Contact: Elizabeth Gorski, PharmD, MBA, BCPS  
Telephone Number: (312) 926-1982

**University of Chicago Medical Center**

EMS Pharmacy Exchange Site: Center for Care and Discovery

Hours for exchange: 1000 - 1400 HRS on business days

EMS Pharmacy Contact: Jeanne Durley, Storeroom Manager

Telephone Number: (773) 702-6242