



HVREMSCO and HVREMAC Policy and Procedures Manual

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Purpose: Provide a clear understanding regarding ALS Inventory and Supplies.

Guidelines: All equipment carried for use in providing patient care must be maintained in accordance with the manufacturers' recommendations. All supplies shall be within their respective expiration dates and in accordance with BEMS Policy Statement 09-12, "Storage and Integrity of Prehospital Medications and IV Fluids."

Inventory: No par levels of medications have been established by the HVREMSCO. At minimum, quantities should be sufficient to treat one patient. ALS Agencies carrying gear for two (2) medics must ensure each set of gear complies with this guideline.

Each ALS Unit is responsible for a daily inventory of all stock levels and medications and must maintain a record of said inventory.

Shortages:

Each agency is strongly encouraged to assess its inventory of all medication on-hand and contact their respective vendors regarding any pharmaceuticals noted to be in short supply. Pharmaceutical orders may take significant time to process and agencies must plan accordingly. The FDA Current Drug Shortage Index is available at: <http://www.fda.gov/drugs/drugsafety/drugshortages>.

Medications noted to be in short-supply and of which the agency is unable to replenish stock, should be reported to the HVREMSCO office weekly via the Agency: Pharmaceutical Stock Form. A pdf. of the form is available at www.hvremSCO.org under "Forms/Publications." The form may be e-mailed to hvremSCO@hvremSCO.org.

For further information consult BEMS Policy Statement 13-04 "Alternative Medication Formulary for Prehospital Drug Shortages."