Adult and Pediatric Epinephrine Auto-Injector Exchange

Life support agencies with BLS or LALS transporting vehicles will acquire and replace adult and pediatric epinephrine auto-injectors follows:

1. Each EMS agency will be responsible for obtaining adult and pediatric epinephrine auto-injectors from an assigned hospital in the HEMS Medical Control Authority (MCA).

2. Each participating hospital of the HEMS MCA will acquire adult and pediatric epinephrine auto-injectors for EMS agencies at the institution’s cost. The process of billing for restocking charges to EMS agencies is determined by each hospital.

3. The purchasing hospital will dispose of adult and pediatric epinephrine auto-injectors at no additional cost.

4. The adult and pediatric epinephrine auto-injectors and use form will be placed in a re-sealable plastic bag. A pharmacy label will be affixed to the bag with the adult and pediatric epinephrine auto-injector’s expiration date.

5. The adult and pediatric epinephrine auto-injectors are to be inspected daily by the crew of the unit for evidence of loss, theft, discrepancy, and expiration date. It is recommended that this inspection be included in a standard documented vehicle checklist.

6. The adult and pediatric epinephrine auto-injectors must be exchanged at least 30 days prior to product expiration date.