



Advisory 26-11 Protocol Updates

To: All Fire and EMS Agencies

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NYS DOH Division of EMS has released updated NYS Collaborative Protocols along with a Change Log which outlines the specific changes made to the protocols. They can be found [here](#). For purposes of regional Quality Improvement and patient safety activities, the updated protocols are effective September 1, 2026.

Handtevy

The Handtevy app is being updated to reflect changes in optional formulary medications and the updated protocols. It is important that Handtevy users regularly open their Handtevy app to accept updates during this time.

Protocol Update Overview

A video overview of significant protocol changes is available [here](#). Although not required by the region, agencies are strongly encouraged to establish a process by which their members are updated on relevant protocol changes specific to the scope of practice and optional medications afforded to EMS Clinician practice that the agency may choose to use.

Additional training is also available on managing [Obstetric Hemorrhage](#) and [BLS Pain Management](#) consistent with recent protocol changes.

If your agency uses Prodigy, this content is already built as a class and can be assigned directly to your clinicians. If your agency uses another learning management system and needs the raw files to build the modules within your LMS, please contact our office.

Optional Medications and Formulary

The use of any of the following medications identified as “optional” in the Collaborative ALS protocols requires a request to the Regional Medical Director (as delegated by the REMAC) to

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approve the agency's use prior to procuring and deploying: Acetaminophen (IV formulation), Buprenorphine/Naloxone, Cefazolin, Moxifloxacin, Nitroglycerin (IV formulation), Nitrous Oxide, Olanzapine, Oxymetazoline, Oxytocin, Tetracaine, Tranexamic Acid, and BLS Pain Medications (Ibuprofen and/or acetaminophen).

The use of any medication identified as "REMAC Alternative" requires a request to the Regional Medical Director (as delegated by the REMAC) prior to procuring and deploying the medication with the exceptions of Duo-neb (Albuterol/Atrovent combination) or levalbuterol.

With any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

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