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To: ALL ALS Providers
From: Richard Lotsch, D.O. 
Solano County EMS Medical Director
Date: December 3, 2008
Subject: AICD Magnets

Per Dr Tharratt, the Director of Cal EMS Authority, the use of donut magnets to deactivate an AICD is **NOT** within the Scope of Practice for Paramedics in California.

Effective immediately, donut magnets are to be removed from all ALS units in Solano County, Policy 6606 and Protocol S11 authorizing the use of these magnets for the treatment of a patient with a malfunctioning AICD is hereby **suspended**.