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## POLICY MEMORANDUM 5700

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**SUBJECT: EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES & MEDICATIONS – ALS UNITS**

**AUTHORITY:** CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 13, CHAPTER 5, SECTION 1103.2

**PURPOSE/POLICY:**

All Solano County ALS units shall maintain minimum standard stocking equipment and supplies. The attached list shall be considered minimal stocking. ALS units that do not have the minimum required equipment and supplies are to be removed from active service until re-supplied. A provider may choose to stock a unit with additional quantities as necessary.

- I. **ALL ALS TRANSPORTING UNITS** shall be equipped with safety and emergency equipment required for ambulances by the California Vehicle Code and the California Code of Regulations and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- II. **ALL ALS NONTRANSPORTING UNITS** shall be equipped with the minimum stock shown in Attachment A, with the exception of a gurney and linen.
- III. **ALL ALS UNIT CURRENTLY APPROVED AS ALS PROVIDERS** shall be required to demonstrate compliance with equipment and supplies. Currently approved ALS Units of agencies which are exempt from permit requirements shall be required to demonstrate compliance with these minimum levels of stocking.

**IV. INITIAL MEDICATION STOCK:**

- A. The Solano County EMS Medical Director or the Provider Medical Director shall issue a prescription for the medications, solutions and supplies listed on Attachment A as needed for the initial stocking of each unit authorized as an ALS unit. No pharmaceutical or related supplies other than those listed shall be carried.
- B. No drugs, medications, needles or catheters are to be located on a vehicle which is not totally equipped, staffed and approved to provide ALS services in Solano County.

**V. RE-STOCK:**

- A. Each ALS provider shall have a written policy outlining their re-stocking procedure. It is the responsibility of the ALS provider to re-stock their units unless other arrangements have been made.
- B. No agency shall bill a patient for medications or associated supplies if the supplies were replaced by a hospital.

**VI. NARCOTICS**

- A. Each ALS Provider shall be responsible for maintaining narcotic tracking in compliance with the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration Regulations.
- B. Each ALS provider shall be responsible for quality assurance as outlined in Policy #2203.

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