

To : The State of Wisconsin DHHS
EMS Division

Re: EMS Protocols for XX Fire Department (XXFD)

The attached protocols are being submitted for review on behalf of the XXFD. They are intended for use by all provider levels in accordance with their level of training and scope of practice. Each protocol has a designation indicating to which group of providers it pertains. "*Italicized*" print indicates an advanced skill above the Basic EMT scope of practice. These guidelines have already been approved as the Waukesha County Guidelines. The content has not been modified.

The XFD is clarifying the following topics:

- All medications, treatments, procedures, and skills that will be used are in black type in the document table of contents. The items that will not be used are in "gray" type.
- As pertaining to Chest Compressions and Defibrillation, EMTs will avoid interruptions in cardiac compressions to the extent that is practically possible, and will avoid hyperventilating pulseless nonbreathing patients. EMTs {will/will not} use the CCR guideline.
- Documentation of the training plan is included for any new skill used by XXFD since the last operational plan submission.

All medication orders and procedures will be administered / performed following the "medical control guideline". See attached table for details requiring on-line medical control authorization. If the patient is in severe need of medications and all communication systems have failed, the paramedic may treat the patient using the full scope of training.

All IVs will run at "KVO" (keep vein open : 25ml/hr) rate unless the patient is hypovolemic and/or hypotensive in which case guide #505 can be followed. Guide #505 can be used for both medical and traumatic hypotension. Establishing IV access should not delay transport.

EMT Requirements for Standards of Performance per XFD policy

Respectfully Submitted :

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