



Westchester Regional EMS Council

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To: All Regional Ambulance Agencies
All Regional BLS First Response Services

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Re: NYS EMT/AEMT BLS Albuterol Protocol

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The New York State Department of Health Bureau of EMS (NYSDOH BEMS) recently released an update to the NYS EMT/AEMT BLS Nebulized Albuterol Protocol.

The purpose of this amendment is to accurately reflect the concentration/dose of Albuterol to be administered per treatment. The original version of the protocol had a typo that erroneously identified the concentration of Albuterol as 0.83%, instead of the correct concentration of 0.083%. The Westchester REMAC BLS Special Procedure Protocols are unaffected by this mistake, as the Albuterol administration is noted in the Westchester protocol as 2.5 mg mixed with 3 ml normal saline.

Please remove the old protocol SC-4 from your NYSDOH BLS Protocol Manual and replace it with the attached updated version, or download it from the NYSDOH BEMS website <http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/ems/pdf/albuterol03-05.pdf>. NYSDOH BEMS is also mailing copies of the new protocol to all EMS agencies.

If there are any questions regarding the protocols, please feel free to contact the NYSDOH BEMS Education Unit at (518) 402-0996, ext. 1, 4, or the Regional EMS Office at (914) 231-1616.

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