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SUBJECT: Prehospital Medication Exchange

TO: New Hampshire EMS Providers, Medical Directors, EMS Unit Leaders,
and EMS Hospital Coordinators

FROM: The NH Bureau of EMS and NH Medical Control Board

Good News!

After several meetings with the NH Board of Pharmacy and helping them better understand the process of medication exchange between two agencies, review of the relevant rules, and recognizing that repeal of the process in place had created significant hardship for affected agencies and could potentially impact patient care, they agreed to reverse their earlier interpretation.

What that means to you: Medication exchange can resume amongst agencies that have written agreements to do so. Please be careful not to accept an expired medication and make sure you are giving /getting the right medication(s). Narcotic medications CAN NOT be exchanged.

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