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RE: Maryland Medical Protocols for Emergency Medical Services -

2022 Clarifications

Please note the following clarifications for the 2022 release of the *Maryland Medical Protocols for Emergency Medical Services*:

- Appendices Procedures, Medical Devices, and Medications for EMS and Commercial Services (9.2); page 172: Morphine infusion is permitted for CRTs and Paramedics, with medical consultation, during interfacility transports. The published table had listed this as "MC" for paramedics.
- ALS Pharmacology Acetaminophen (11.1); page 185: Contraindications (9) should read "Patients less than 3 months of age" not "Patients less than 2 years of age." The BLS Pharmacology Acetaminophen page (p 175) is correct.

These changes, noted in red on the attached pages, apply to all iterations of the 2022 *Maryland Medical Protocols for EMS*, and should be adopted immediately by all Maryland EMS Clinicians.

# 9.2 Appendices – PROCEDURES, MEDICAL DEVICES, AND MEDICATIONS FOR EMS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES (continued)

MEDICATIONS	EMR	ЕМТ	CRT	PM
Acetaminophen	_	so	so	so
Activated Charcoal (Without Sorbitol)	-	МС	мс	МС
Adenosine	_	_	so	so
Albuterol/Fast-acting Bronchodilator MDI	-	SO/MC	SO/MC	SO/MC
Albuterol Sulfate Nebulizer	-	SO/MC	SO/MC	SO/MC
Amiodarone	_	_	SO/MC	SO/MC
Antimicrobial (Pre-established interfacility only)	_	_	_	OSP
Aspirin	_	so	so	SO
Atropine Sulfate	_	-	SO/MC	SO/MC
Atrovent	_	-	so	so
Calcium Chloride (10% Solution)	_	_	so	so
Dexamethasone	-	-	so	so
Dextrose	-	-	so	so
Diazepam	-	_	МС	SO/MC
Diltiazem	-	_	SO/MC	SO/MC
Diluent D5W, NS, LR	-	_	so	so
Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride	-	-	so	so
Dopamine Hydrochloride	-	_	SHORT	SHORT
Droperidol	<del>  -  </del>	_	so	so
Epinephrine Auto-Injector	OSP	SO/MC	so	so
Epinephrine Infusion	-	-	SO/MC	SO/MC
Epinephrine Nebulizer	-	_	мс	МС
Epinephrine (1:1,000) Vial or Syringe	-	OSP	so	so
Epinephrine 1:10,000	-	_	so	so
Etomidate (Amidate)	-	-	-	PP
Fentanyl	-	-	SO/MC	SO/MC
Glucagon	-	-	SO/MC	SO/MC
Glycoprotein Ilb/Illa	-	_	-	OSP
Haloperidol	-	_	SHORT	SHORT
Hemophilia Blood Factor (VIII or IX)	_	-	so	so
Heparin (Interfacility transport only)	-	_	_	OSP
Hydroxocobalamin	-	-	OSP	OSP
Ketamine	-	_	SO/MC	SO/MC
Ketorolac	-	-	OSP	OSP
Lidocaine	-	-	so	so
Magnesium Sulfate	-	-	SO/MC	SO/MC
MARK I/DuoDote (Atropine & 2 PAM)	OSP	OSP	OSP	OSP
Midazolam (Versed)	-	_	SO/MC	SO/MC
Morphine Sulfate	-	-	OSP	OSP
Morphine Sulfate (Infusion)	_	-	MC	MC
Naloxone (IN) Public Safety	so	so	so	so

**SO** Standing Order

OSP Optional Supplemental Program SHORT Jurisdictional Option with State

EMS Medical Director Approval

MC Medical Consultation Required

PP Pilot ProgramREA Research

# ALS Pharmacology – ACETAMINOPHEN

## TRADE NAMES: Tylenol®

#### a) Indications

Patients 3 months of age and older with:

- (1) Mild to moderate discomfort (e.g., 1-5 on FACES scale) or
- (2) Fever (EMS-documented temperature greater than or equal to 100.4 F / 38 C)

#### b) Adverse Effects

Not clinically significant

### c) Precautions

- (1) Administration of acetaminophen for mild to moderate pain does not eliminate the need for transport of the patient to the hospital to receive a comprehensive evaluation of the cause of the pain and appropriate definitive treatment.
- (2) A 5 cc or 6 cc syringe must be used to measure doses of acetaminophen.

#### ci) Contraindications

- (1) Head Injury
- (2) Hypotension
- (3) Administration of acetaminophen or medications containing acetaminophen within the previous 4 hours. Many common cold preparations contain acetaminophen.
- (4) Inability to swallow or take medications by mouth
- (5) Respiratory distress
- (6) Persistent vomiting
- (7) Known or suspected liver disease (including patients suspected of current alcohol ingestion)
- (8) Allergy to acetaminophen
- (9) Patients less than 2 years of age 3 months of age

#### cii) Preparations Use Unit Dose Only

(DO NOT USE MULTIDOSE BOTTLE OF LIQUID)

Unit dose 160 mg/5 mL liquid

Unit dose 325 mg pill or tablet

#### f) Dosage

- (1) Less than 3 months of age: Not indicated
- (2) 3 months to 2 years of age:

Age	Under 3 months	3 months	4-11 months	12-23 months
Liquid 160 mg/ 5 mL	Not indicated	1.25 mL	2.5 mL	3.75 mL

- (3) 2-4 years: Unit dose 160 mg/5 mL
- (4) 5-12 years: TWO unit doses of 160 mg/5 mL each for a total of 320 mg/10 mL
- (5) 13 years and above: FOUR unit doses of 160 mg/5 mL each for a total of 640 mg/20 mL OR in a form of 325 mg pill or tablet x2 for a total of 650 mg with sips of water as tolerated by the patient.

