

Detroit East Medical Control Authority
General Procedures
EPI-PEN EXCHANGE

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Epi-Pen Exchange

Life support agencies with BLS or LALS transporting vehicles will acquire and replace Epi-Pens and Epi-Pen Jr's as follows:

1. Each EMS agency will be responsible for obtaining Epi-Pens/Epi-Pen Juniors from an assigned hospital in the Detroit East Medical Control Authority (DEMCA).
2. Each participating hospital of DEMCA will acquire Epi-Pens/Epi-Pen Juniors for EMS agencies at the institution's cost. The process of billing and charges to EMS agencies are determined by each hospital.
3. The purchasing hospital will dispose of expired Epi-Pens at no additional cost.
4. The Epi-Pen/Epi-Pen Jr and use form will be placed in a re-sealable plastic bag. A pharmacy label will be affixed to the bag with the Epi-Pen/Epi-Pen Jr expiration date.
5. Epi-Pens/Epi-Pen Juniors are to be inspected daily by the crew of the unit for evidence of loss, theft, discrepancy, and expiration date. It is recommended that this inspection be included in a standard documented vehicle checklist.
6. Epi-Pens/Epi-Pen Juniors must be exchanged at least 30 days prior to product expiration date to avoid charges to the service.