

*Detroit East Medical Control Authority*  
System Protocols  
EQUIPMENT EXCHANGE

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**PURPOSE**

Hospitals in the Detroit/East Medical Control Authority agree to exchange with transporting units the following items on a one-for-one basis.

**EQUIPMENT COVERED**

1. **Rigid Cervical Collars** - If the receiving facility uses rigid cervical collars in house (i.e. Stiffneck, Philly Collars), and a patient is brought in immobilized with a rigid collar, the hospital will give the transporting unit a collar from hospital supply and leave the collar on the patient at the receiving facility.
2. **End-Tidal CO<sub>2</sub> Detector** - If the receiving facility uses End-Tidal CO<sub>2</sub> Detectors in house and a patient is brought in with an End-Tidal CO<sub>2</sub> Detector, the hospital will give the transporting unit an End-Tidal CO<sub>2</sub> Detector from hospital supply and leave the End-Tidal CO<sub>2</sub> Detector on the patient at the receiving facility.
3. **Intraosseous Needles** - If the receiving facility uses Intraosseous (IO) Needles in house and a patient is brought in with an IO in place, the hospital will give the transporting unit an IO from hospital supply and leave the IO in the patient at the receiving facility.
4. **Epi-Pen / Epi-Pen Junior**- If the transporting EMS unit uses an Epi-Pen / Epi-Pen Junior on a patient and the patient is brought into the hospital after having an Epi-Pen / Epi-Pen Jr used in the medical management, the hospital will replace the used medication.
5. **C-PAP Mask**-If the receiving facility uses C-PAP masks and the patient is brought in with a CPAP as their means of supplemental oxygen administration the receiving facility will provide the transporting agency a replacement circuit out of the emergency department cache.