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Re: New equipment, skills, medicine etc.

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Purpose: To provide direction and clarification to agencies about the use of any new medical equipment, skills and medications.

Background: New equipment, skills and medicines are introduced to EMS on a regular basis. While many of these may be beneficial to our patients, it is the REMAC's responsibility to review and approve any new equipment, skills and medicines prior to their use.

Advisory: All equipment, skills and medications that are currently not on the REMAC's approved list or in the region's protocol formulary must be approved by the REMAC prior to them being used in the field. In some cases, approval from the State Department of Health or State Emergency Medical Advisory Committee may also be needed.

Agencies may submit proposals and requests to the REMAC at any time. However, in order for it to be considered at a specific quarterly meeting, the proposal must be submitted in writing to the Mountain Lakes Regional EMS Council office at least thirty (30) days prior to said meeting.

Written proposals and requests must include:

- a) A cover letter on agency letter head that contains a description of the request / proposal.
- b) Information on the item or skill including scientific research and cost.
- c) An explanation as to how the item or skill would benefit your agency, the region and patients.
- d) Written approval / support from your agency medical director.

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