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Bailey

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Castro

Cochran

TO: SPEMS EMS Services

Cottle

SUBJECT: SPEMS EMT-PARAMEDIC PROTOCOL VARIANCE

Crosby

Dawson

Dickens

Valium appears to be in short supply due to the ongoing medication shortage issues. Please let this letter serve as your authority to carry the following as a replacement should you be unable to obtain Valium from your supplier. This is a temporary variance until Valium is available once again from the manufacturer.

Floyd

Gaines

**Ativan: Adult-2mg IV/IO, may be repeated once in 20 minutes
Pediatric-0.1mg/kg IV/IO (up to 2 mg max)**

Garza

Hale

Hockley

You will need to place a copy of this letter in each protocol book in each ambulance.

Howard

Kent

Sincerely,

King

E. Joe Sasin
Medical Director

Lamb

Lubbock

Lynn

Mitchell

Motley

Scurry

Terry

Yoakum