



\*\*\* PARAMEDIC ALERT \*\*\*

No. 2011-04

Date: April 1, 2011

Topic: Expired Narcotics

Effective: Immediately

Attention: All EDC EMS Providers

Please **do not** bring expired narcotics back to the pharmacy for exchange. The EDCEMSA policy on controlled substances is being changed to reflect this. The pharmacy does not have a documentation process for the wasting of expired medications. Also, all usage and tracking logs must be retained by the provider for at least three years and should **not** be sent to the pharmacy when completed. Please contact the Emergency Medical Services Agency with any questions.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Brazzel", is written over a white background.

David Brazzel, MD  
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