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## IV ACETAMINOPHEN

**Dear EMS Providers:** 

As part of the overall strategy for the management of the national drug shortages detailed in the memo of February 2, 2018, we are pleased to announce that the State Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) has approved our "Local Optional Scope of Practice" (LOSOP) application for the use of IV acetaminophen in adults.

- This medication will be required inventory effective July 1, 2018.
- Prior to this effective day, if your agency has insufficient opioids for patient care needs, please contact County EMS staff to discuss earlier implementation.
- If you anticipate challenges in obtaining IV acetaminophen, please contact County EMS staff so that we can assist with solutions to meeting inventory requirements.

Thank you for your assistance in continuing to provide outstanding care to our patients.

Sincerely,

Kristi L. Koenig, MD, FACEP, FIFEM, FAEMS, Medical Director

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Attachments