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This memo is in response to recent requests made to the Bureau of EMS regarding whether the use of a patient's emergency dose kit for various rare medical conditions such as Hemophilia B, Adrenal Insufficiency, etc... is within an EMT-Paramedic's scope of authority.

Section 190.142.4, RSMo, (Cum.Supp.2015) states as follows:

All levels of emergency medical technicians may perform only that patient care which is

(1) Consistent with the training, education and experience of the particular emergency medical technician; and

(2) Ordered by a physician or set forth in protocols approved by the medical director.

EMT-Paramedic training entities are required by 19 CSR 30-40.331 to ensure the courses meet or exceed the requirements of the current National Standard Curriculum for EMT-Paramedic training. Since delivery of emergency medications administered via the parenteral route is addressed in the current EMT-Paramedic National Standard Curriculum and the EMT-Paramedic would have been trained on this skill; then this skill would be consistent with the training, education and experience of EMT-Paramedics. In addition, if the emergency kits are accompanied with a physician's written order and directions describing the applicable medical situation, route and dosage amounts, then it would meet the requirement of a physician's order. As long as an EMT-Paramedic meets the requirements of section 190.142.4, RSMo, (Cum.Supp.2015), then administering emergency kits would be within an EMT-Paramedic's scope of authority.

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