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The Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee (REMAC) of New York City is responsible to develop, approve and implement prehospital treatment and transport protocols for use within the five boroughs of the City of New York. The Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee (REMAC) of New York City operates under the auspices of Article Thirty of the New York State Public Health Law.

At the December 2015 meeting of the New York State Emergency Medical Advisory Committee (SEMACE), it was determined that prehospital Hypothermia Therapy would be discontinued. SEMACE and the NYS Department of Health removed hypothermia therapy from the prehospital protocols based upon study data identifying no evidence that this therapy was effective as a pre-hospital treatment. It was also shown that no harm was attributed to this treatment.

The use of Prehospital Hypothermia Therapy was restricted to municipal 911 System ALS personnel.

All personnel working in, or as part of the municipal 911 System should refer to FDNY Office of Medical Affairs Directive 2015-20 (Discontinuance of NYC Project Hypothermia, 12/29/15), "Effective Tour 1, Friday January 1, 2016, therapeutic hypothermia in the prehospital setting shall be discontinued."

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