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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.

Etomidate Shortage

- Consensus from the NYC REMAC Protocol Committee is that a shortage of Etomidate does not necessitate a change in the current protocols that went into effect on 3/1/23.
- Ketamine is a viable option as an induction agent in the Procedural Sedation/Sedation for Airway Management protocol.
- The Protocol Committee believes that the protocols reflect currently accepted medical practice and should not be changed with the recent Etomidate shortage.

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Owners/operators of Ambulance and ALS First Response Services providing prehospital medical treatment within the five boroughs of the City of New York are responsible to provide copies of the NYC REMAC Prehospital Treatment Protocols to their personnel, and to ensure that Service Medical Directors and EMS personnel are informed of all changes/updates to the NYC REMAC Prehospital Treatment Protocols.

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