

Finger Lakes Regional Emergency Medical Service Council, Inc.



REMAC Advisory

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IV Fluid Shortage

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Advisory: IV Fluids Shortage

Due to recent weather events impacting a production plant in North Carolina, some agencies are already seeing limitations in the ability to order several common IV crystalloid solutions.

While we do not know the lasting impact this will have on the supply or the duration of the anticipated shortage, it is recommended that agencies take appropriate measures to preserve their current stock of IV solutions.

Consider avoiding using IV fluids in situations where fluid resuscitations are not required, such as situations where IV fluids are utilized for “KVO” or unnecessary medication dilution (diluting medication in small IVPB when not needed).

As always please reach out with any questions, for specific clinical scenarios consider utilizing online medical control.