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WVOEMS Paramedic Treatment Protocol 4903 – Rapid Sequence Intubation (RSI)
01272020 Ketamine Dosage/Treatment Revision

The WVOEMS Paramedic Treatment Protocol 4903 – Rapid Sequence Intubation (RSI) 01272020 Ketamine Dosage/Treatment Revision has been reviewed and approved by the Medical Policy Care Committee (MPCC) and the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (EMSAC).

Purpose:

- Ketamine should be added as an option to Section 4 of WVOEMS Protocol 4903 as a preferred and/or optional sedative agent for RSI;
- Ketamine should be added as an option to Section 9 subsection A of WVOEMS Protocol 4903 for post intubation sedation.

In compliance with Legislative Rule 64 CSR48 9.1.b.2 a thirty-day public comment period will be in effect from February 10, 2020 through March 10, 2020. All comments must be submitted by 11:59 PM March 10, 2020 to:

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Reference **Protocol 4903 01272020 Ketamine Dosage/Treatment Revision**
in the subject line.

This policy will become effective immediately following the thirty-day comment period on March 11, 2020.

9.1.b.2. Whenever any changes in protocol, medication and procedure, scope of practice or policy and procedure as authorized in § 9.1.b.1 are proposed, a notice of the proposal will be electronically mailed to each EMS Agency and the full text of proposed changes in protocol, medication and procedure, scope of practice or policy and procedure, will be published on the OEMS website. Notice of the proposed changes in protocol, medication and procedure, scope of practice or policy and procedure as authorized in § 9.1.b.1, is subject to a thirty (30) day public comment period prior to their being effective. However, the MPCC may waive the public comment period when it finds that exigent circumstances exist and that the proposed changes in protocol, medication and procedure, scope of practice or policy and procedure must be implemented immediately to ensure patient safety.