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TO: All EMS Participants

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SUBJECT: **DEXTROSE SHORTAGE**

On June 24, 2010, ICEMA distributed memos regarding the shortage of dextrose, epinephrine and morphine due to packaging issues. Addressed in the memos were alternate packaged meds and alternate dosages. These shortages have had a significant effect on our providers and their ability to restock these drugs, especially dextrose. As a result, AMR is unable to restock Dextrose 50% to the public providers. AMR will continue to restock oral glucose and Glucagon one to one exchange as usual. AMR's supplier estimates the shortage will continue through late August or early September.

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