

SILVER CROSS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM**TITLE:** PYXIS - EMS SUPPLY & MEDICATION STATIONS**POLICY:**

Hospitals may utilize the PYXIS system for retrieval/exchange of EMS supplies and medications used on ambulance runs. Providers at all levels that transport to these receiving facilities must be programmed into each system in order to gain access for supply replacement and follow individual instructions per each hospital.

I. PYXIS - Provider Entry Process

- A. System agency providers that transport to the above facilities will have to be entered into the program for PYXIS access. This can be accomplished by:
1. Contacting the EMS offices of the respective hospitals and request access privileges.
 2. Information needed at Silver Cross will be your name, EMT level, EMT 9-digit IDPH license number and System Agency you are affiliated with (mandatory).
 3. Normally, it will take 2-4 weeks to be programmed into the system.
 4. New Silver Cross System entry providers will automatically be entered into the PYXIS system once all system entry requirements are received.
 5. When it is confirmed that a provider is entered into the PYXIS system, simply follow the supply station instructions for gaining access.

II. PYXIS Operations

- A. Pyxis operations are a smooth process for supply exchange. If you incur problems, you may consult with an ER nurse for help or contact your respective EMS Office for intervention.
- B. **Medication Exchange:** In instances where controlled substances need to be exchanged by System paramedics, you are instructed to make the exchange of narcotics/controlled substances with the ER charge nurse on duty.

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