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To: Maine EMS Service Chiefs
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From: Steven Diaz, MD, State EMS Medical Director
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Re: Change in fentanyl doses effective July 1, 2007

As part of the regular review of EMS Treatment Protocols, the Medical Directions and Practice Board (MDBP) has reviewed and made a modification regarding fentanyl administration. As a result, effective July 1, 2007, reference to fentanyl in the Protocols will be changed as follows:

“Fentanyl 1 microgram/kg IV or IM initially then 25-75 micrograms IV every 10 minutes to a total of 400 micrograms.”

This does not change the use of fentanyl, does not change which protocols are standing orders, and does not change protocols that require OLMC.

If you have any questions about this change, please contact your Regional Medical Director.