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TO:               ALS Personnel
                  ALS Service Providers
                  Base Hospital Physicians
                  Base Hospital MICNs

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The purpose of this memorandum is to notify all EMS system personnel that typographical errors identified in the published EMS Policy No. 5700, Advanced Life Support Treatment Protocols, are corrected as follows:

1. Page No. 37 & 40, ACAR-04, Medical Cardiac Arrest. 
The dose of magnesium sulfate is 2 G IV/IO **over five minutes**.

2. Page No. 92, ATRA-02, Traumatic Arrest. 
**Defibrillate at 200 joules**, added to flow chart after rhythm check #3.

Ibuprofen is **contraindicated** for pregnant patients.

4. Page No. 216 & 217, PGEN-03, Pediatric Pain management. 
“Motrin” has been changed to **Ibuprofen**.

5. Page No. 221, PGEN-05, Pediatric Sepsis. 
Ibuprofen is **contraindicated in patients less than 6 months old**. 
SIRs Criteria are:  
   a. Temp: >100.4F or <96F.  
   b. Tachycardia.  
   c. Tachypnea.

A corrected version of EMS Policy No. 5700, Advanced Life Support Treatment Protocols, is available on the SJCEMSA website. Should you have any questions regarding the corrections please contact Pre-Hospital Care Coordinator Matthew R. Esposito via email at mesposito@sjgov.org, or phone at (209) 468-6818.