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Patient Safety ALERT: Cardiac Arrest Drug Boxes/Bricks Changes

There is a national intermittent supply problem for all prefilled syringe items contained within the cardiac arrest drug boxes/bricks used across the Trust.

Prefilled syringes usually contained in the packs may therefore be **replaced by ampoules** of medication of the same strength.

Please be aware that **syringes and needles** will need to be readily available for use with ampoules to ensure timely administration of medication required in an emergency.

FOR ACTION:
Ensure that all staff are aware of the above when providing emergency care.