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COVID-19

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Illinois Hospital AdministratorsIllinois Hospital PharmacistsIllinois Hospital Emergency Response Coordinators

FROM: Public Health Emergency Operations Center (PHEOC)

RE: Remdesivir Update

Effective October 1, 2020, allocations of Veklury (remdesivir) will no longer be allocated to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), the Office of Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response and State Health Departments. It has now been determined that there is enough supply of remdesivir to meet demand.

Hospitals are now able to independently submit orders for remdesivir directly to AmerisourceBergen for their hospitalized patients. AmerisourceBergen is the sole distributor of this drug and will remain so through the end of 2020. Orders should be placed as needed and in accordance with the current Emergency Use Authorization by the Food and Drug Administration. There will continue to be two formularies, liquid and powder, both require different storage procedures.

For additional information regarding remdesivir or how to access Veklury (remdesivir) please email <u>remdesivir@amerisourcebergen.com</u>, call 1-800-746-6273, or reach out directly to your AmerisourceBergen representative.

Additionally, the Illinois Department of Public Health requests that all hospitals continue to report daily COVID and bed availability data in EmResource or Teletracking.