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Denver Health statement on national IV fluid shortage

DENVER (Oct. 9, 2024) — The IV fluid shortage should not deter patients from seeing their providers or coming to the hospital when sick. Drawing on recommendations from professional societies and our internal experts, Denver Health will implement strategies that limit use of IV fluids, when appropriate, through best or equivalently alternative practices that have minimal impact on patient outcomes. These conservation strategies are useful practices to encourage good stewardship of resources in any health care setting. At this time, patients should not expect impacts to their care or procedure and treatment schedule.