Have you ever wondered what goes on behind the scenes at the Bank of America Chicago Marathon to make sure runners have a great race day? It takes an army of medics and a few tons of equipment to ensure that if medical problems arise, runners will be checked and treated quickly, so they reach the finish line healthy, safe and hydrated.

**31 i-STAT® SYSTEMS**

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