

### SCENARIO GUIDEBOOK





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# MEDICAL SCENARIOS



# **ACCIDENTAL OVERDOSE**

| Goals/Objectives:  | Dispatch Information:                            |   |
|--|--|---|
| Scene safety   | A call was received from a fra                   | ntic adult stating that her 2-year-old granddaughter      |
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> </ul>                             | was unresponsive on the bedro                    | oom floor. Patient is breathing, but not currently alert. |
| <ul> <li>Recognition and treatment for<br/>unresponsive state</li> </ul> |  |   |
| • Recognition of transport necessity                                     | Chief Complaint: Additional Resources Requested: |   |
|  | Unresponsive                                     | Police and Fire Departments, ALS                          |
| Scene Description:   |  |   |

- Arrive at address and notice an older gentleman waving at you from the porch
- Home is clean, tidy and no animals are noted to be present. You are escorted to a basement bedroom
- The patient is lying on the carpeted floor with an older woman at her side. Woman identifies self as patient's grandma
- Patient was reportedly napping

**Initial Impression:** Patient is dressed appropriately for time of year. You notice a pill bottle under the bed.

| Vital Sign – Set 1   | Physical Exam                              | HPI: Patient has been putting                         |
|--|--|---|
| AVPU: Unresponsive   | UEENT.                                     | everything in their mouth lately                      |
| B/P: 80/palpation  | HEENT:<br>Head: No trauma noted            |   |
| HR: 70, regular  | Eyes: Sluggish and pinpoint                | S/S: Unresponsive                                     |
| Resp: 10, labored  | Ears: Unremarkable                         | Allergies: NKDA                                       |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 90% (room air)               | Nose: Unremarkable                         | Allergies. NRDA                                       |
| Pain:  | Oral Cavity: Lips noted to have white      | Medications: Daily Vitamin                            |
| <b>GCS:</b> 3 (1,1,1)  | substance on them. Half of a white pill is |   |
| BGL:   | - noted in the patient's mouth             | <b>PmHx:</b> RSV at 1 year of age                     |
| Vital Sign – (prior to Naloxone)                               |  | Lest Meels Dires and shine for lunch                  |
| AVPU: Unresponsive   | Chest:                                     | Last Meal: Pizza and chips for lunch                  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 82/64  | Equal chest rise and fall noted            | Events Prior: Napping in bedroom.                     |
| HR: 78, regular  | Clear equal in all lung fields             | Was checked on an hour previous                       |
| Resp: 10, labored  |  | and was asleep in the bed                             |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 94% (O <sub>2</sub> applied) | Back:                                      |   |
| Pain:  | No external trauma noted                   | Current on Immunizations? Yes                         |
| GCS: 3 (1,1,1)   |  |   |
| BGL: 84 mg/dl  | Abdomen/Pelvis:                            | Patient Weight: 12kgs                                 |
| Vital Sign – (after Naloxone)                                  | Unremarkable                               | Notes:  |
| AVPU: Alert, Confused  | Extromitu                                  | Grandmother advises that she was                      |
| <b>B/P:</b> 100/60   | Extremity:<br>No external trauma noted     | caring for a friend last week that had                |
| HR: 110, regular   | No external trauma noted                   | knee surgery. Her friend stayed in this               |
| Resp: 18, nonlabored   | Other:                                     | room and was taking Lortab for post op<br>pain relief |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98%                          | Skin: Cool, pale and dry                   | painteller  |
| <b>Pain:</b> 0   | Skini Cool, paie and ary                   | Pill bottle found is for Lortab 7.5mL                 |
| <b>GCS</b> : 14 (4,4,6)  | EKG: Sinus Rhythm                          | This bottle found is for Eortab 7.5me                 |
| BGL:   |  |   |
| Suggested Treatment:   | After Naloxone administration:             | Transport Consideration:                              |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Suction if necessary, Monitor,                | • Patient can maintain own airway          | Secure patient properly on cot                        |
| IV/IO, Administration of Naloxone                              | • Respirations return within normal limits | Transport in seated position secondary                |
|  | • Patient remain tired, Pupils now PERL    | to possible vomiting                                  |
|  |  |   |

# **ACCIDENTAL OVERDOSE**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Possibly have grandma call friend and inquire about number of pills missing
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- If dealing with an unknown medication, contact the Poison Control Center
- When administering Naxolone, it is a slow push and titrated to desired effect
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility
- Contact patient's legal guardian, if possible

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- Poison Control Center
  - o https://www.poison.org
- Georgia Poison Control Center
  - o https://www.georgiapoisoncenter.org
    - Georgia Poison Center Education Department 80 Jesse Hill Jr. Dr. SE Atlanta, Georgia 30303 Local: 404.616.9000



Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\_Naloxone Dose: \_\_\_\_\_

# **SEIZURE: FEBRILE**

| Goals/Objectives:  | Dispatch Information:  |   |
|--|--|---|
| • Assess and secure airway                                     | Responding to a 15-month-old male having a seizure. Patient's father called 911 after he |   |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of risk and/or</li> </ul>                 | brought child into his room when child would not settle down. Father stated that patient |   |
| presence of secondary  | kept thrashing around and then realized he wa  | as having a seizure.                                    |
| trauma   |  |   |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul>                   | Chief Complaint:   | Additional Resources Requested:                         |
| necessity  | Seizure  | Police and Fire Department, ALS                         |
| Scene Description:   | · ·  | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·                   |
| <ul> <li>December 21<sup>st</sup> at 0100</li> </ul>           |  |   |
| • Outside temperature is 25 de                                 | grees F with 1 inch of new snow on top of 2 inche  | s of ice  |
| • Patient's father meets Fire an                               | nd EMS in living room with child   |   |
| <ul> <li>Home noted to be clean</li> </ul>                     | -  |   |
|  |  |   |
|  | n pajamas being held by father. Patient is sleepy ar                                     | nd whimpers when moved.                                 |
| Vital Sign – Set 1   | Physical Exam  | HPI: See events prior below                             |
| AVPU: Alert  | HEENT.   |   |
| <b>B/P:</b> 80/50  | HEENT:   | S/S: pale, GCS 11 initially; limp limbs,                |
| HR: 124, regular   | Head: Unremarkable   | but will move to pain                                   |
| Resp: 30, non-labored  | Eyes: Initially, Left – sluggish, Right - quick  | Allergies: NKDA   |
| <b>O<sub>2</sub> Sat:</b> 94% (room air)                       | Ears: Unremarkable<br>Nose: Unremarkable   | Allergies. NRDA   |
| Pain:  |  | Medications: None                                       |
| <b>GCS:</b> 11 (3, 4, 4)                                       | Oral Cavity: Unremarkable<br>Patient able to clear and control own airway                |   |
| BGL:   | Patient able to clear and control own all way  | <b>PmHx:</b> Ear infection three weeks ago              |
| Vital Sign – Set 2   | Chest:   | Leet Mark D: D  |
| AVPU: Alert  | Equal chest rise and fall noted  | Last Meal: Dinner, 7hr ago                              |
| <b>B/P:</b> 96/52  | Lung sounds clear  | Events Prior: Patient's mother is out of                |
| HR: 138, regular   | No external trauma noted   | town, so father brought son into their                  |
| Resp: 28, non-labored  |  | room to sleep. Patient awoke his father                 |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98% (O <sub>2</sub> applied) | Back:  | when he was noted to be moaning                         |
| Pain:  | No trauma noted  |   |
| <b>GCS:</b> 12 (3, 4, 5)                                       |  | Current on Immunizations? Yes                           |
| <b>BGL:</b> 107 mg/dl  | Abdomen/Pelvis:  |   |
|  | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation  | Patient Weight: 11kgs                                   |
| Vital Sign – Set 3   | No trauma noted  | Notes:  |
| AVPU: Alert  | Pelvis stable  | Body Temp: 99.4   |
| <b>B/P:</b> 90/70  | Extremiter   |   |
| <b>HR:</b> 120, regular  | Extremity:   | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia                                  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 24, non-labored                                   | No trauma noted to legs or arms  | ···· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·                  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98% (O <sub>2</sub> applied) | PMS x 4 (presumed, since child moves limb away when pain applied)                        | Father denies noting any recent fevers                  |
| <b>Pain:</b>   | away when pain applied)  |   |
| <b>GCS</b> : 13 (4, 4, 5)                                      | Other:   |   |
| BGL:   | Skin: pale, warm   |   |
|  | No step off's or tenderness noted to neck  | Transport Consideration:                                |
| Suggested Treatment:   |  | Transport Consideration:                                |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, Airway                               | Pupils noted to be PERL 10 minutes into call   | Securing patient properly on cot<br>Guardian ride along |
| monitor/control  |  | Guarulan nue along                                      |

### **SEIZURE: FEBRILE**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Will family allow you to view where the seizure activity took place
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Is or was patient taking any medications for his recent ear infection
- Is incontinence noted
- Was a cooling agent and/or activity done by family prior to your arrival
- Oral cavity can have trauma secondary to biting of the tongue
- Weigh the pros and cons of starting an IV on this patient
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- Temperature Measurement in Pediatrics
  - o https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2819918/

| Measurement method | Normal temperature range            |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Rectal             | 36.6°C to 38°C (97.9°F to 100.4°F)  |
| Ear                | 35.8°C to 38°C (96.4°F to 100.4°F)  |
| Oral               | 35.5°C to 37.5°C (95.9°F to 99.5°F) |
| Axillary           | 34.7°C to 37.3°C (94.5°F to 99.1°F) |

#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\*Graphic obtained from medguidance

# **SEIZURE: EPILEPSY**

| Goals/Objectives:  | Dispatch Information:   |                                 |
|--|---|---------------------------------|
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> <li>Recognition of risk and/or presence of secondary</li> </ul> | Responding to a 4-year-old female having a seizure at school. Patient is a known epileptic, well-controlled on medication. Patient was playing with friends on the playground when the other children alerted the teacher she was having a seizure. |                                 |
| trauma   | F78   |                                 |
|  | Chief Complaint:  | Additional Resources Requested: |

- Spring afternoon at local preschool/daycare, high of 88 degrees
- Two adults carried the patient inside and are currently with her
- You are waved to the door by the school's main office

**Initial Impression:** Patient is in regular street clothes noted to lying in caregiver's arms. Mouth is open, eyes rolled back in head and breathing is rapid and shallow. Patient is not currently seizing. All seizure activity ended about a minute ago.

| AVPU: Painful<br>B/P: 98/62<br>HR: 144, regular<br>Resp: 36, non-labored<br>HEENT:<br>Head: Small "goose egg" spot to<br>Eyes: Initially, Right pupil is dilate<br>reactive |   |
|---|---|
| <b>Resp:</b> 36, non-labored Eyes: Initially, Right pupil is dilate   | ed, non-  |
| O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 90% (room air)  | _   |
| Pain:       Ears: Unremarkable         GCS: 5 (1, 1, 3)       Nose: Unremarkable  | <b>Medications:</b> Multivitamin, Keppra 120mg BID  |
| BGL: Patient able to clear and control Vital Sign – Set 2   | own airway PmHx: Seizures, Concussion at 3yo  |
| AVPU: Verbal Inappropriate  | Last Meal: Snack, 45min ago   |
| B/P: 96/52Lung sounds clearHR: 138, regularNo external trauma notedResp: 28, non-laboredBack:   | <b>Events Prior:</b> Classmates said patient<br>slipped on climbing structure and hit<br>her head on the railing. Teacher<br>witnessed the patient fall onto soft |
| Pain:Small red mark noted to patientGCS: 10 (3, 2, 5)on the right side  | s mid-back recycled tire material   |
| BGL: 107 mg/dl Abdomen/Pelvis: No guarding noted upon quadra  | Current on Immunizations? Yes           nt palpation         Patient Weight: 17kgs  |
|   | Notes:  |
| AVPU: Alert, Confused Pelvis stable   | Body Temp: 97.1   |
| B/P: 90/70Extremity:HR: 120, regularNo trauma noted to legs or arms   | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia  |
| Resp: 24, non-laboredPMS x 4 (presumed, since child r<br>away when pain applied) $O_2$ Sat: 98% ( $O_2$ applied)away when pain applied)                                     | noves limb Parents will meet at local hospital.<br>Patient moans and whimpers with any  |
| GCS: 13 (4, 4, 5)         Other:           BGL:         Skin: Pale, warm  | intervention. Muscles are weak, and<br>patient is easily restrained and<br>compliant during treatment   |
| Suggested Treatment:No step off's or tenderness noteO2, Monitor, C-spinePupils both return to PERL duringprecautionsPupils both return to PERL during                       | Securing nationt property on cot  |

### **SEIZURE: EPILEPSY**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

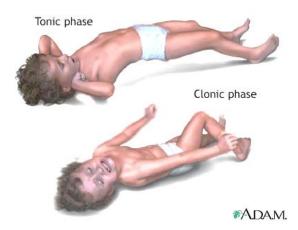
- Have there been any changes to her medications
- How far was the fall from the playground equipment to the ground
- Did patient fall on her head or land on another body part
- How exactly was the patient carried into the school from the playground
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Have there been any changes to her medications
- When was her last lab work completed
- Is incontinence noted
- Oral cavity can have trauma secondary to biting of the tongue
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- Epilepsy Foundation
  - o https://www.epilepsy.com/living-epilepsy/parents-and-caregivers/about-kids



Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\_Sedative\_\_\_\_\_

#### \_Anticonvulsant\_\_\_\_\_

\*Graphic obtained from findmeacure.com

# **DIABETIC: KETOACIDOSIS**

| Goals/Objectives:                                | Dispatch Information:  |   |  |
|--|--|---|--|
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> </ul>     | Responding to a 15-year-old female patient complaining of nausea, vomiting an weakness while attending a summer school activity. Patient is a known diabetic and |   |  |
| • Recognition of risk and/or                     |  |   |  |
| presence of secondary illness                    |  |   |  |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul>     | bedside glucometer.  |   |  |
| necessity  | Chief Complaint:   | Additional Resources Requested:         |  |
|  | Hyperglycemia  | Police and Fire Department, ALS         |  |
| Scene Description:                               |  | · · ·                                   |  |
|  | ees F outside and rising. Bright sunshine, slight b  | reeze                                   |  |
|  | school nurse office, where the patient is lying or   |   |  |
| • Patient is moaning, but opens                  | her eyes and looks at you when you approach  |   |  |
|  |  |   |  |
|  | aring shorts and t-shirt lying on exam table of nu   |   |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 1                               | Physical Exam  | HPI: Patient was not feeling well this  |  |
| AVPU: Alert                                      |  | morning and skipped breakfast. Patient  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 108/68                               | HEENT:   | could not focus in class, left for the  |  |
| HR: 112, regular                                 | Head: Patient states she has a headache  | restroom and vomited. Patient ther      |  |
| Resp: 24, nonlabored                             | Eyes: PEERL  | went to school nurse. Patient does not  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98% (room air) | Ears: Unremarkable   | monitor her diet nor does regular blood |  |
| Pain:  | Nose: Unremarkable   | testing, but does take her insulin as   |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15 (4, 5, 6)                         | Oral Cavity: Dry tongue, membranes   | scheduled                               |  |
| BGL:   | Patient able to clear and control own airway   |   |  |
| -  | Chest:   | S/S: Feels weak, Headache               |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 2                               | Equal chest rise and fall noted  | Allergies: Amoxicillin, penicillin      |  |
| AVPU: Alert                                      | Lung sounds clear  | Allergies. Alloxiciliti, periciliti     |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 106/62                               | No external trauma noted   | Medications: Insulin BID, Multivitamin  |  |
| HR: 138, regular                                 | No external trauma noted   | ,                                       |  |
| Resp: 28, nonlabored                             | Back:  | <b>PmHx:</b> Type I Diabetes,           |  |
| <b>O<sub>2</sub> Sat:</b> 98% (room air)         | No trauma noted  |   |  |
| Pain: 2  |  | Last Meal: Dinner, last night           |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15 (4, 5, 6)                         | Abdomen/Pelvis:  | Events Prior: See above                 |  |
| BGL: "HIGH" dl/mg                                | Guarding noted upon quadrant palpation   |   |  |
|  | Patient says her entire abdomen hurts  | Current on Immunizations? Yes           |  |
|  | No trauma noted  |   |  |
|  | Pelvis stable  | Patient Weight: 65kgs                   |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 3                               |  | Notes:                                  |  |
| AVPU: Alert                                      | Extremity:   | Body Temp: 100.3                        |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 109/70                               | No trauma noted to legs or arms  |   |  |
| HR: 110, regular                                 | PMS x 4  | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia                  |  |
| Resp: 24, nonlabored                             |  | Patient realizes during assessment with |  |
| <b>O<sub>2</sub> Sat:</b> 98% (room air)         | Other:   | appropriate questioning that she drank  |  |
| Pain:  | Skin: Flush, Warm, Dry   | a lot of water yesterday and has been   |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15                                   |  | urinating more often the last two days  |  |
| BGL:   | Patient complains of blurred vision during   |   |  |
| Suggested Treatment:                             | transport  | Transport Consideration:                |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, Airway                 |  | Securing patient properly on cot        |  |
| Management, Fluids                               |  |   |  |
| management, maias                                |  | 1                                       |  |

# **DIABETIC: KETOACIDOSIS**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Know the range limitations for 'lows' and 'highs' on the monitor you are using
- Is the patient in air conditioning or outside temperatures throughout the day
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Know the range limitations for 'lows' and 'highs' on the monitor you are using
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- American Diabetes Association
  - o www.diabetes.org
- American Academy of Pediatrics: Healthy Children
  - www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/conditions/chronic/Pages/Diabetes.aspx

#### **HYPO**GLYCEMIA **HYPER**GLYCEMIA BLURRED SLEEPINESS SWEATING PALLOR DRY MOUTH **INCREASED** VISION ACK OF FREQUENT COORDINATION IRRITABILITY HUNGER URINATION WEAKNESS HEADACHE

#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

#### \_Range on service glucometers \_\_\_\_\_

\*Graphic obtained from Daily Health Post

# **ABDOMINAL PAIN**

| Goals/Objectives:                              | Dispatch Information:   |                                 |
|--|---|---------------------------------|
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> </ul>   | You are called to the local hotel where the caller states her 14-year-old daughter is       |                                 |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of risk and/or</li> </ul> | experiencing abdominal discomfort. Caller states that have been in the car driving for      |                                 |
| presence of secondary illness                  | the last 8 hours. When patient got out of the car, she stated she did not feel well and has |                                 |
| or trauma                                      | not quit crying stating the pain is too much to bear.                                       |                                 |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul>   | Chief Complaint:  | Additional Resources Requested: |
| necessity                                      | Abdominal Pain  | Police and Fire Department, ALS |

#### Scene Description:

- It is a hot July day with outside temperatures reaching 102 degrees F. Current time is 1930
- Patient is found laying in hotel bed in the fetal position, crying
- There is a small trash can to also be noted in the bed with that patient

**Initial Impression:** Patient is in obvious pain and refuses to sit up or move upon EMS arrival. Patient is crying but slows to respond appropriately to questioning.

| Vital Sign – Set 1<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 122/84<br>HR: 116, regular<br>Resp: 22, nonlabored<br>O2 Sat: 98% (room air)<br>Pain: 9<br>GCS: 15 (4, 5, 6)<br>BGL: | Physical Exam<br>HEENT:<br>Head: Unremarkable<br>Eyes: PERL<br>Ears: Unremarkable<br>Nose: Unremarkable<br>Oral Cavity: Unremarkable<br>Patient able to clear and control own airway | HPI: Patient states she wasn't feeling<br>well earlier, but thought she was just<br>tired. About an hour ago she had a<br>sudden onset of lower abdominal pain<br>S/S: Nausea, Fever, Abdominal pain<br>Allergies: NKDA<br>Medications: Birth Control |
|--|--|---|
| Vital Sign – Set 2<br>AVPU: Alert  | Chest:<br>Equal chest rise and fall noted  | PmHx: None  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 126/90<br><b>HR:</b> 122, regular  | Lung sounds clear<br>No external trauma noted  | Last Meal: Refused lunch  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 22, nonlabored<br><b>O2 Sat:</b> 98% (room air)   | <b>Back:</b><br>Has some radiating pain to lower back  | <b>Events Prior:</b> Patient has been asleep in the car most of the day   |
| <b>Pain:</b> 9 (7 with medication)<br><b>GCS:</b> 15 (4, 5, 6)   | Abdomen/Pelvis:  | Current on Immunizations? Yes   |
| <b>BGL:</b> 84 mg/dl (if assessed)   | Guarding noted upon palpation, radiating pain noted from right lower quadrant  | Patient Weight: 49kgs   |
| Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 118/78   | No trauma noted<br>Pelvis stable   | <b>Notes:</b><br>Body Temp: 101.6 F   |
| HR: 112, regular   | Extremity:   | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia  |
| Resp: 20, nonlabored<br>O2 Sat: 98% (room air)   | No trauma noted to legs or arms<br>PMS x 4   | Patient denies being sexually active  |
| Pain: 9 (6 with medication)<br>GCS: 15 (4, 5, 6)<br>BGL:   | <b>Other:</b><br>Skin: Pale, warm  | Patient's menstrual cycle is normal, and she is on day 17   |
|  | No step off's or tenderness noted to neck  | Patient states pain increases when walking  |
| Suggested Treatment:<br>O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, IV, Fluids, Pain<br>control  | Patient had a bowel movement about 1400  | Transport Consideration:<br>Securing child properly on cot  |

### **ABDOMINAL PAIN**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

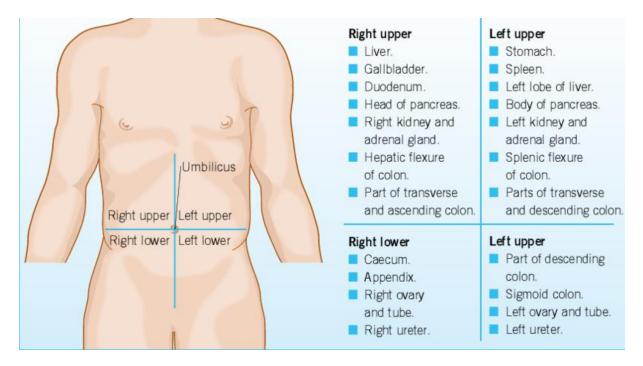
• Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Modesty of patient during exam
- Asking personal questions without guardian or others hearing answers
- Considerations; ectopic pregnancy, ovarian cyst, menstrual cramps, constipation, appendicitis
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- American Academy of Pediatrics: Healthy Children
  - www.healthychildren.org/English/healthissues/conditions/abdominal/Pages/default.aspx



#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

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### **CARDIAC**

| Goals/Objectives:                                | Dispatch Information:  |  |
|--|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> </ul>     | You are called to the home of a 3-year-old ha  | ving trouble breathing. Caller states he |
| • Assessment of family history                   | daughter was outside running around and beca   | ame very tired and now cannot catch he   |
| • Recognition of possible                        | breath. This is the first nice day outside since   | they had a colder winter and the patier  |
| cardiac complication                             | was excited to play outdoors. Patient also is tel  | ling mother her chest hurts.             |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul>     | Chief Complaint:   | Additional Resources Requested:          |
| necessity  | Difficulty Breathing   | Police and Fire Department, ALS          |
| Scene Description:                               |  | •  |
| • Warm day in late March. First                  | day above 50 degrees in months. The sun is shinir  | ng, and it is around 1600                |
| -  | back porch in her father's lap. Patient is struggling  | -  |
| • Patient looks at you but does r                |  | • ••                                     |
|  |  |  |
|  | essed in shorts and a t-shirt. Patient is visible scar   |  |
| /ital Sign – Set 1                               | Physical Exam  | HPI: Patient has not been ill but after  |
| AVPU: Alert                                      |  | her 3-year-old check-up, th              |
| <b>B/P:</b> 126/70                               | HEENT:   | pediatrician thought it necessary t      |
| HR: 132, regular                                 | Head: Bobbing while trying to catch breath   | involve a cardiologist to evaluate       |
| Resp: 32, labored                                | Eyes: PERL   | persistent heart murmur and anxiety      |
| <b>02 Sat:</b> 86% (room air)                    | Ears: Unremarkable   |  |
| Pain:  | Nose: Nasal flaring noted  | S/S: Cyanosis, Difficulty breathin       |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15 (4, 5, 6)                         | Oral Cavity: Dry, pursed lips, cyanosis noted<br>Patient is trying hard to control her breathing | Dizziness, Chest pain                    |
| BGL:   |  | Allergies: NKDA                          |
| Vital Sign – Set 2                               | Chest:   | · ····· 9·····                           |
| AVPU: Alert                                      | Equal chest rise and fall noted, shallow   | Medications: Aspirin, Ativan             |
| <b>B/P:</b> 122/80                               | Lung sounds diminished in all lobes  |  |
| HR: 126, regular                                 | No external trauma noted   | PmHx: Currently being evaluated for      |
| Resp: 28, labored                                | Patient states her chest is 'tight'  | cardiac condition, anxiety               |
| <b>O2 Sat:</b> 84% (room air) 94% O <sub>2</sub> |  | Last Meal: Lunch at 1130                 |
| <b>Pain:</b> 4                                   | Back:  |  |
| -  | Unremarkable   | Events Prior: Playing outside            |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15 (4, 5, 6)                        | Abdomen/Pelvis:  |  |
| BGL: 92 mg/dl                                    |  | Current on Immunizations? Yes            |

Abdomen/Pelvis: No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation No trauma noted Pelvis stable

Extremity: No trauma noted to legs or arms PMS x 4

Patient begins to calm down

with oxygen administration

Resp: 24, slightly labored

Suggested Treatment:

O<sub>2</sub>, Monitor, Airway

Management

Vital Sign – Set 3

HR: 118, regular

**O2 Sat:** 95% (O2)

**GCS:** 15 (4, 5, 6)

**AVPU:** Alert

**B/P:** 118/76

Pain: 3

BGL:

Other: Skin: Pale, Cool, Moist No step off's or tenderness noted to neck

Patient releases from her dad and feels better sitting straight up. She can speak in 4-5-word sentences with oxygen administration

Securing child properly on cot

Mother states that last week they say a

specialist at the Children's Hospital to

Patient has these episodes and gets

discuss possible cardiac conditions

Patient Weight: 12kgs

Notes:

ECG:

Body Temp:

### CARDIAC

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

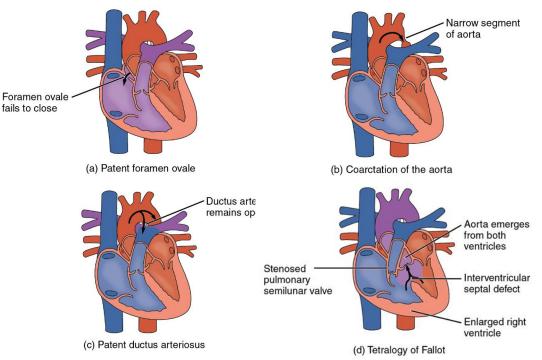
• Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Contacting specialty hospital/physician for treatment guidelines
- Any documentation from the physician about current condition
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- American Academy of Pediatrics: Healthy Children
  - o www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/conditions/heart/Pages/default.aspx
- American Heart Association: Cardiovascular Conditions of Childhood
  - www.heart.org/HEARTORG/Conditions/More/CardiovascularConditionsofChildhood/Car diovascular-Conditions-of-Childhood\_UCM\_314135\_SubHomePage.jsp



#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

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### **SEPSIS**

| Goals/Objectives:   | Dispatch Information:   |  |
|---|---|--|
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> </ul>                      | You are called to a home where the caller is stating his 2-year-old daughter is lethargic |  |
| • Recognition of risk for sepsis                                  | and not acting like normal. Patient came home from daycare yesterday and went straight    |  |
| secondary to recent infection                                     | to bed without dinner. His wife had to wake the child this morning after she did not come |  |
| • Recognition of transport  | downstairs for breakfast.   |  |
| necessity   | Chief Complaint:  | Additional Resources Requested:          |
| ,   | Lethargic   | Police and Fire Department, ALS          |
| Scene Description:  |   |  |
| <ul> <li>It is a cool fall Saturday mornin</li> </ul>             | g at 0900   |  |
|   | s lap on the couch. Patient does not move or lool   | k up as you enter the home               |
|   | are present. Mother hands you a prescription and  |  |
|   | urinary tract infection secondary to bubble bath  |  |
| • Fatient was being treated for a                                 | unitary tract infection secondary to bubble bath.   | s and potty training                     |
| Initial Impression: Patient is we                                 | aring pajamas and does not follow movement of   | individuals.                             |
| Vital Sign – Set 1  | Physical Exam   | HPI: Patient cannot seem to shake any    |
| AVPU: Alert   | UPPNT   | illnesses since starting daycare 3 weeks |
| <b>B/P:</b> 80/60   | HEENT:  | ago                                      |
| HR: 110, regular  | Head: Unremarkable  | 0/0                                      |
| Resp: 28, labored   | Eyes: PERL, keeps eyes closed during exam   | S/S: Decreased appetite, Lethargy,       |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 96% (room air)                  | Ears: Unremarkable  | Fatigue, Nausea, Increased pain          |
| Pain: Constantly moaning  | Nose: Unremarkable  | Allergies: NKDA                          |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15 (3, 4, 5)   | Oral Cavity: Dry  | Allergies. NRDA                          |
| BGL:  | Patient able to clear and control own airway  | Medications: Tylenol                     |
| Vital Sign – Set 2  | Chest:  | Deellow Data and Little                  |
| AVPU: Alert   | Equal chest rise and fall noted, shallow  | PmHx: Recent UTI                         |
| <b>B/P:</b> 84/58   | Lung sounds clear   | Last Meal: Lunch yesterday               |
| HR: 116, regular  | No external trauma noted  |  |
| Resp: 30, labored   |   | Events Prior: Patient has been           |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 97% (O <sub>2</sub> ) 94% (room | Back:   | sleeping constantly and unable to keep   |
| air)  | Unremarkable  | any food down                            |
| Pain: Screams when touched  | Abdomen/Pelvis:   |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15 (4, 5, 6)  | Guarding in all quadrants upon palpation  | Current on Immunizations? Yes            |
| BGL: 70 mg/dl   | No trauma noted   | Patient Weight: 10kgs                    |
| Vital Sign – Set 3  | Pelvis stable   | Notes:                                   |
| AVPU: Alert   |   | Body Temp: 103.5 F                       |
| <b>B/P:</b> 76/52   | Extremity:  |  |
| HR: 114, regular  | No trauma noted to legs or arms   | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia                   |
|   | PMS x 4   |  |
| Resp: 28, labored   |   | Mother states that physician advised     |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 97% (O <sub>2</sub> ) 94% (room | Other:  | no more bubble baths and that patient    |
| air)<br>Doint   | Skin: Pale and clammy   | would need help while cleaning after     |
|   | No step off's or tenderness noted to neck   | using the restroom                       |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15 (4, 5, 6)   |   |  |
| BGL:  | Patient has had a decrease in urinating and no  | T (0 !! /!                               |
| Suggested Treatment:  | bowel movement for 2 days   | Transport Consideration:                 |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, IV, Fluids                              |   | Securing child properly on cot           |
|   |   | Guardian riding                          |

### **SEPSIS**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

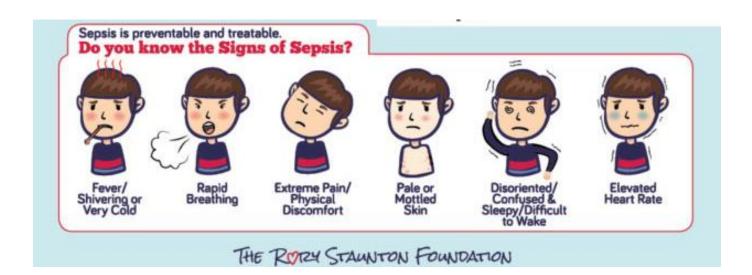
• Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- What other infections or illnesses has the patient experienced recently
- What over-the-counter medication(s) have been used, if any
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- American Academy of Pediatrics: Healthy Children
  - www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/conditions/infections/Pages/Sepsis-in-Infants-Children.aspx
- The Rory Staunton Foundation: For Sepsis Prevention
  - o rorystauntonfoundationforsepsis.org/



Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\*Graphic obtained from The Rory Staunton Foundation

# **SEPSIS: PICC LINE INFECTION**

| Goals/Objectives:  | Dispatch Information:   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <ul> <li>Recognition of risk and/or</li> </ul>                           | You are responding to a 15-year-old female who is unresponsive at home. Patient has |  |
| presence of sepsis   | been sick for a few days per mother, and suddenly became unresponsive after being   |  |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of sepsis</li> </ul>                                | confused for the last hour.   |  |
| treatment/pediatric fluid  |   |  |
| resuscitation guidelines   | Chief Complaint:  | Additional Resources Requested:        |
| Recognition of transport   | Unresponsive  | Police and Fire Department, ALS        |
| necessity  |   |  |
| Scene Description:   |   |  |
|  | ide. No rain/storms around, slight chill to the air.                                | Pleasant                               |
|  | o a bedroom. Two other children are being usher                                     |  |
| -  | and rocking her slowly while crying and patting h                                   | -                                      |
| <ul> <li>Slight grimace of patient's face</li> </ul>                     |   | Ç ,                                    |
|  |   |  |
| Initial Impression: Patient is in p                                      | pajamas and limp in mother's arms.  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 1   | Physical Exam   | HPI: Patient is four days post-chemo   |
| AVPU: Painful  | UFFNT.  | and has been ill. Patient has been     |
| <b>B/P:</b> 78/40  | HEENT:  | awake some of the day but returned     |
| HR: 134, regular   | Head: Unremarkable  | to be after becoming tired and         |
| Resp: 30, shallow  | Eyes: PEERL, will resist light shone in eyes with                                   | confused. Mother came to get her       |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 91% (room air)                         | weak movement of head/neck  | dinner and found her unresponsive.     |
| Pain:  | Ears: Unremarkable  |  |
| <b>GCS</b> : 8 (2, 2, 4)   | Nose: Unremarkable  | <b>S/S:</b> Pale, Flaccid, No movement |
| BGL:   | Oral Cavity: Note to be slightly pale, moist  | Allergies: NKDA                        |
| -  | Chest:  | Allergies. NRDA                        |
| Vital Sign – Set 2   | Equal chest rise and fall noted, shallow  | Medications: Chemo medications,        |
| AVPU: Painful  | Lung sounds clear in uppers, diminished in  | Steroids, Probiotics, Multivitamins    |
| <b>B/P</b> : 76/52   | lowers  |  |
| HR: 132, regular   | No external trauma noted  | PmHx: Leukemia for last two years      |
| Resp: 28, shallow  |   |  |
| <b>O<sub>2</sub> Sat:</b> 98% (O <sub>2</sub> ) (91% No O <sub>2</sub> ) | Back:   | Last Meal: Lunch, 7hr ago              |
| Pain:  | Unremarkable  | Current on Immunizations? No           |
| <b>GCS:</b> 8 (2, 2, 4)  |   |  |
| <b>BGL:</b> 198 dl/mg  | Abdomen/Pelvis:   | Patient Weight: 45 kgs                 |
| Vital Sign – Set 3   | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation   | Notes:                                 |
| <b>AVPU:</b> Painful (V if fluids given)                                 | No trauma noted   | Body Temp: 104.5                       |
| <b>B/P:</b> 80/60, if fluids (otherwise,                                 | Pelvis stable   |  |
| hypotensive)   | Extremity:  | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia                 |
| HR: 120, regular   | PMS x 4 (presumed, since child moves limb   |  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 24, non-labored   | away when pain applied)   | Patient will open eyes to sound once   |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98% (O <sub>2</sub> applied)           | Left arm noted to look red around site of PICC                                      | fluids are started and 250-400mL of    |
| <b>GCS:</b> With fluids: 10 (3, 3, 4),                                   | Line; if colored bandage moved, will see crusty                                     | fluids are given. (20cc/kg bolus)      |
|  | yellow at site of entrance to body. Mother  | Nearest children's hospital is where   |
| otherwise still 8 (2, 2, 4)  | states it is 'not as long as normal'  | the patient is treated for her cancer  |
| Suggested Treatment:   |   | Transport Consideration:               |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, Fluids, Airway                                 | Other:  | Securing patient properly on cot       |
| monitor/control  | Skin: Pale, Hot, Flushed  | Guardian riding along                  |
|  |   | Guarulan nung along                    |

### **SEPSIS: PICC LINE INFECTION**

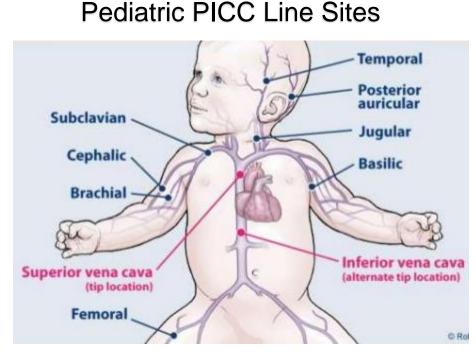
#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Cleaning solutions or maintenance schedule for the PICC line
- Additional health care needs or equipment to take during transport
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Review the patient care plan from patient's specialist on treatment modalities
- · Directly contact the patient's specialist for best desired treatment
- Alternative route for medication/fluid administration
- Stabilize PICC line, however do not use, reinsert or pull completely out
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility; specialty hospital in resources allow

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:



Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

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# SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME

| Goals/Objectives:  | Dispatch Information:   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <ul> <li>Scene preservation</li> <li>Acknowledgement of situation</li> <li>Communication with</li> </ul> | You are dispatched to a home for an unresponsive infant. Caller states her 5-month-old<br>daughter had been put to sleep in her own crib and was found unresponsive. Mother is<br>hysterical on the phone and unable to follow dispatch instructions for CPR. Mother does<br>state the infant is cold to the touch. |  |
| guardians - verbiage   | Chief Complaint:<br>Unresponsive Infant   | Additional Resources Requested:<br>Police and Fire Department, ALS |

#### Scene Description:

- It is a cool fall morning around 0600
- You arrive on scene and PD advises the scene is safe for you to enter
- Patient is found in a crib on her back next to the mother's bed. There are no blankets or additional items in the crib
- Patient is wearing a onesie

**Initial Impression:** Patient is cold to the touch with rigor mortis present in jaw and upper extremities. Code black.

| Vital Sign – Set 1<br>AVPU: Unresponsive<br>B/P:<br>HR: 0   | Physical Exam<br>HEENT:<br>Head: Unremarkable   | <b>HPI:</b> Patient is breastfeeding and has<br>no complications with intake or output.<br>Normal diapers yesterday and no<br>illnesses to report  |
|---|---|--|
| Resp: 0<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat:<br>Pain:<br>GCS: 3 (1,1,1)<br>BGL:   | Eyes: Constricted and pinpoint<br>Ears: Unremarkable<br>Nose: Unremarkable<br>Oral Cavity: Cyanosis noted to lips and jaw is<br>stick, rigor present  | S/S:<br>Allergies: None<br>Medications: None   |
| BGL:<br>Vital Sign – Set 2<br>AVPU:<br>B/P:<br>HR:<br>Resp:<br>$O_2$ Sat:<br>Pain:<br>GCS:<br>BGL:<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU:<br>B/P:<br>HR:<br>Resp:<br>$O_2$ Sat:<br>Pain:<br>GCS:<br>BJP:<br>HR:<br>Resp:<br>$O_2$ Sat:<br>BJP:<br>HR:<br>Resp:<br>$O_2$ Sat:<br>BJP:<br>HR:<br>Resp:<br>$O_2$ Sat:<br>BJP:<br>HR:<br>Resp:<br>$O_2$ Sat:<br>BJP:<br>HR:<br>BJP:<br>HR:<br>BJP:<br>HR:<br>BJP:<br>HR:<br>BJP:<br>HR:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJP:<br>BJ | <ul> <li>Chest: <ul> <li>Absent lung sounds upon auscultation in all lobes</li> <li>No external trauma noted</li> </ul> </li> <li>Back: <ul> <li>Mottling noted</li> </ul> </li> <li>Abdomen/Pelvis: <ul> <li>No trauma noted</li> <li>Pelvis stable</li> </ul> </li> <li>Extremity: <ul> <li>No trauma noted to legs or arms</li> <li>Upper extremities noted to have rigor</li> </ul> </li> <li>Other: <ul> <li>Skin: Pale and cold to the touch</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | Medications: NonePmHx: Full term birth with no<br>complications during pregnancyLast Meal: Patient ate before bed<br>around 2200 the night beforeEvents Prior:Current on Immunizations? YesPatient Weight: 7.3kgNotes:<br>PD remains present as EMS unzips<br>onesie to assess patientEMS triages code black within 8<br>minutes of arriving on scenePD accepts responsibility for patient |
| BGL:<br>Suggested Treatment:<br>Supportive care for family  |   | Transport Consideration:   |

# SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Assessing where the patient is found and/or sleeping area is important for documentation
- Noting guardians' reaction and documentation of their account of event
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Preservation of scene as this is a death investigation until the coroner states otherwise
- If needed, notify medical control early
- Availability and contact with either service chaplain and/or faith-based leader for family
- Working with PD on who will give the death notification to family
- Being aware of verbiage to use and respectful acts towards family during notification
- Anticipate anger and/or other reactions from family
- Stay calm. Family will ask hard questions and you may not have the answers they want to hear

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- Kansas Infant Death and SIDS Network
  - www.kidsks.org
- Kansas State Child Death Review Board Sudden Unexplained Infant Death Investigation Form
  - o https://ag.ks.gov/about-the-office/affiliated-orgs/scdrb



Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\_Is there a local Safe Sleep Instructor in your area? \_\_\_\_\_

\*Graphic obtained from kokomoperspective.com

| Goals/Objectives:                              | Dispatch Information:  |                                 |
|--|--|---------------------------------|
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> </ul>   | You are called to a local restaurant when the caller states a 3-year-old male is having  |                                 |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of obstruction</li> </ul> | difficulty breathing and speaking. Patient was eating dinner with his family when        |                                 |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of respiratory</li> </ul> | everyone started screaming and one male starting patting patient on the back. Patient is |                                 |
| distress and/or failure                        | coughing now, but unable to speak  |                                 |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul>   | Chief Complaint:   | Additional Resources Requested: |
| necessity                                      | Difficulty Breathing; Possible Choking   | Police and Fire Department, ALS |

#### **Scene Description:**

- A spring day in April. 72 degrees F outside. Around 1800. You had a 3-minute response time as you were down the road
- You arrive to the restaurant and are escorted back to a room decorated in birthday balloons and presents
- Adults are moving other children and point you to a corner when a child and man are standing

**Initial Impression:** Patient is standing with male behind him. Patient's face is red, and he looks at you momentarily and then back to the floor. Patient is noted to be wearing an "I am 3" t-shirt. Patient stops coughing as you approach him.

| Vital Sign – Set 1 (Distress)<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: Unable to obtain<br>HR: 100, weak<br>Resp: 32, labored<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 88% (room air) | Physical Exam<br>HEENT:<br>Head: Bobbing with each breath<br>Eyes: PERL<br>Ears: Unremarkable  | <ul> <li>HPI: Patient was eating some pizza and started coughing</li> <li>S/S: Tachypnea, Stridor, Retractions, Inability to cough</li> </ul> |
|---|--|---|
| Pain:<br>GCS: 12 (4, 2, 6)<br>BGL:  | Nose: Nasal flaring noted<br>Oral Cavity: Small object seen in back of throat<br>Lips are noted to have cyanosis present                     | Allergies: NKDA<br>Medications: Multivitamin<br>PmHx: None  |
| Vital Sign – Set 2 (Failure)<br>AVPU: Unresponsive<br>B/P: Unable to obtain<br>HR: 80, weak   | <b>Chest:</b><br>Poor chest rise and fall noted, almost absent<br>Inspiratory stridor noted, retractions present<br>No external trauma noted | Last Meal: Currently eating<br>Events Prior: Kept running around  |
| Resp: 42, labored, shallow<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat: Unable to obtain<br>Pain:   | <b>Back:</b><br>Unremarkable   | while eating<br>Current on Immunizations? Yes   |
| <b>GCS:</b> 3 (1, 1, 1)<br><b>BGL:</b> 94 mg/dl   | Abdomen/Pelvis:<br>No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted  | Patient Weight: 14kgs   |
| Vital Sign – Set 3 (Code Blue)<br>AVPU: Unresponsive  | Pelvis stable  | Notes:<br>Body Temp:  |
| B/P: Unable to obtain<br>HR: 50, weak<br>Resp: 0  | Extremity:<br>No trauma noted to legs or arms  | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia to Bradycardia   |
| •   | PMS x 4  | Patient triage code blue. CPR is started  |
| O <sub>2</sub> Sat: Unable to obtain<br>Pain:<br>GCS: 3 (1, 1, 1)<br>BGL:   | PMS x 4<br>Other:<br>Skin: Pale, Warm, Moist<br>No step off's or tenderness noted to neck  | Patient triage code blue. CPR is started<br>You have pediatric Magill forceps<br>available  |

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Additional crew members for CPR
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Modesty of the patient when performing CPR
- 3 most common causes of upper airway obstruction; infection, airway swelling and foreign body airway obstruction
- Management of FBAO; Evaluate, Identify, Intervene
- Do not perform a blind finger sweep. This can lodge an object further into the trachea
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)

 https://acls-algorithms.com/pediatric-advanced-life-support/

#### **Conscious**

<1 year: Give 5 back slaps then 5 chest thrusts >1 year: Abdominal thrusts Unconscious Start CPR Universal Sign of Choking







#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\*Graphic 1 obtained from Healthwise \*Graphic 2 obtained from goodtoknow \*Graphic 3 obtained from Potomac Pediatrics

| Goals/Objectives:                                      | Dispatch Information:  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> </ul>           | You are dispatched to the local elementary sch                                       | You are dispatched to the local elementary school. The caller advised that there was a |  |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of additional</li> </ul>          | basketball tournament being played and an 11-year-old player collapsed while running |  |  |
| resources early in call                                | down the court. The caller advises that another person has been sent to get the AED. |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Use of resources/tools</li> </ul>             | Caller relays dispatch CPR instructions to other bystanders treating the patient.    |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul>           | Chief Complaint:   | Additional Resources Requested:  |  |
| necessity  | Unresponsive, CPR in progress  | Police and Fire Department, ALS  |  |
| Scene Description:                                     |  | ·  |  |
|  | mber. It is 42 degrees F outside and cloudy  |  |  |
|  | standers to the hallway opposite the gymnasium do                                    | •  |  |
| You see an off-duty firefighte                         | er/EMT doing compressions. An AED is attached and                                    | d counting down to the next shock  |  |
| Initial Impression: Patient is I                       | ying supine on the ground with his chest exposed ar                                  | nd AED patches correctly placed.   |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 1                                     | Physical Exam  | HPI: Patient was playing basketball and  |  |
| AVPU: Unresponsive                                     |  | showed no signs of distress or fatigue.  |  |
| B/P: Unable to obtain                                  | HEENT:   | Coach states that patient has not been   |  |
| HR: 0  | Head: Unremarkable   | sick recently  |  |
| Resp: 0  | Eyes: Sluggish, left nonreactive   |  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> Unable to obtain     | Ears: Unremarkable   | <b>S/S:</b> Unresponsive, apneic, pulseless  |  |
| Pain:  | Nose: Unremarkable   | Allergies: Unknown   |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 3 (1, 1, 1)                                | Oral Cavity: Dry   | Allergies. Olikilowii  |  |
| BGL:   | Chest:   | Medications: Unknown   |  |
| Vital Sign Sat 2                                       | Equal chest rise and fall noted with BVM   |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 2                                     | No external trauma noted   | PmHx: Unknown  |  |
| <b>AVPU:</b> Unresponsive <b>B/P:</b> Unable to obtain |  | Last Meal: Snack before the game   |  |
| HR: 0  | Back:  | Lust moun shack before the game  |  |
|  | Unremarkable   | Events Prior: Patient played the first   |  |
| Resp: 0  | Abdomen/Pelvis:  | quarter and the 5 minutes of the   |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> Sat: Intubated,                         | No trauma noted  | second quarter. Patient collapsed  |  |
| Capnography applied Pain:                              | Pelvis stable  | without warning while running  |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 3 (1, 1, 1)                                |  | Current on Immunizations? Unknown  |  |
| <b>BGL:</b> 72 mg/dl                                   | Extremity:   | Current on Innitunizations ? Onknown   |  |
|  | No trauma noted to legs or arms  | Patient Weight: 40kgs  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 3                                     | All extremities are flaccid  | Notes:   |  |
| AVPU: Unresponsive                                     | Other:   | Body Temp: 98.0 F  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> Unable to obtain                           | Skin: Pale, Cool, Dry  |  |  |
| <b>HR:</b> 0   | No step off's noted to neck  | ECG: Asystole  |  |
| Resp: 0  |  | CPR is being properly performed  |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> Sat: Intubated                          | After airway is secured, lung sounds are noted                                       | er nis senig property performed  |  |
| Pain:  | to be present and equal in all lobes. Chest rise                                     | Coach attempting to contact patient's  |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 3 (1, 1, 1)                                | is adequate with ventilations  | legal guardian. Aunt and uncle on scene  |  |
| BGL:   |  |  |  |
| Suggested Treatment:                                   |  | Transport Consideration:   |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Airway Management,                    |  | Securing child properly on cot   |  |
| Monitor, IV/IO access,                                 |  |  |  |
| Medications, CPR, Defibrillation                       | on l   |  |  |

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

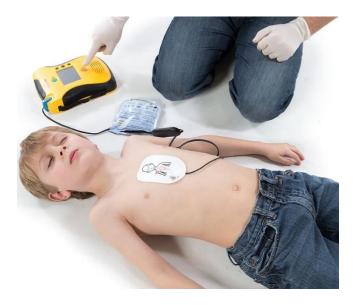
• Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Exact down time, use of an AED, bystander effective CPR
- Modesty of patient and respect for family and bystanders when performing CPR
- Most common causes of Sudden Cardiac Arrest in children are structural cardiac abnormalities
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- American Academy of Pediatrics: Healthy Children
  - o www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/conditions/heart/Pages/default.aspx
  - www.healthychildren.org/English/news/Pages/Understanding-Pediatric-Sudden-Cardiac-Arrest.aspx



Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\_Are there known community AED locations \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>\*</sup>Graphic obtained from defibshop.co.uk

# RESPIRATORY SCENARIOS



### ASTHMA

| Goals/Objectives:                            | Dispatch Information:  |                                 |
|--|--|---------------------------------|
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> </ul> | You are responding to a 10-year-old female with difficulty breathing. Caller states that |                                 |
| • Treatment of asthma, primary               | two breathing treatments have been given with no improvement. Caller says this was a     |                                 |
| and secondary levels of                      | sudden onset and the patient does have a history of asthma.                              |                                 |
| treatment                                    |  |                                 |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul> | Chief Complaint:   | Additional Resources Requested: |
| necessity                                    | Difficulty Breathing   | Police and Fire Department, ALS |

#### Scene Description:

• The patient is sitting on front porch with adults and a few other children of same age around

• It is an August evening with ambient temperature noted to be 82 degrees Fahrenheit. Dusty and dry outside

**Initial Impression:** Patient is sitting with arms tight to her body pushing against concrete step. Patient is leaning forward at the hips. Mouth is open, skin on face noted to be pale and damp with sweat. Patient looks up at you as you approach.

| Vital Sign – Set 1                                     | Physical Exam                                | HPI: Trouble breathing for last 20 min          |
|--|--|---|
| AVPU: Alert  |  |   |
| <b>B/P:</b> 110/52                                     | HEENT:                                       | <b>S/S:</b> Pale, tripoding, tachypneic         |
| HR: 134, regular                                       | Head: No trauma noted                        | Allergies: NKDA                                 |
| Resp: 48, labored                                      | Eyes: PERL<br>Ears: Unremarkable             | Allergies. Mod                                  |
| <b>O2 Sat:</b> 88% (room air)                          | Nose: Unremarkable                           | Medications: Multivitamin, Albuterol            |
| <b>Pain:</b> 0   | Oral Cavity: Dry, pale                       | inhaler; daily, rescue inhaler; PRN             |
| <b>GSC:</b> 15   | Patient able to clear and control own airway |   |
| BGL: (see below if requested)                          | attent able to clear and control own all way | PmHx: Asthma                                    |
| Vital Sign – Set 2                                     | Chest:                                       | Last Meal: Dinner, approx. 1hr ago              |
| AVPU: Alert  | Equal chest rise and fall noted              | Last mean. Dinner, approx. In ago               |
| <b>B/P:</b> 99/62                                      | Audible wheezing upper lung fields           | Events Prior: Patient forgot to take            |
| HR: 128, regular                                       | Minimal air movement in lower fields         | inhaler dose this morning. Patient was          |
| Resp: 44, labored                                      | Shallow breathing with retractions and       | playing with her siblings when she              |
| O2 Sat: 94% (Neb/O2 applied);                          | accessory muscle usage noted                 | started gasping for air                         |
| 86% (no Neb/O <sub>2</sub> applied)                    | Back:  |   |
| <b>Pain:</b> 0   | No external trauma noted                     | Current on Immunizations? Yes                   |
| <b>GSC:</b> 15   |  | Patient Weight: 35kgs                           |
| BGL: 87 mg/dl  | Abdomen/Pelvis:                              | r attent meight. Jokgs                          |
| Vital Sign – Set 3                                     | All quadrants soft and non-tender            | Notes:  |
| AVPU: Alert  | Pelvis stable                                | Body Temp: 98.6 F                               |
| <b>B/P:</b> 98/70                                      |  |   |
| HR: 130, regular                                       | Extremity:                                   | EKG: Sinus Tachycardia, no ectopy               |
| Resp: 40, labored                                      | No trauma noted to legs or arms              |   |
| O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (O <sub>2</sub> /Neb applied); | PMS x 4                                      | If no oxygen applied, SpO <sub>2</sub> does not |
| 80% (no Neb/O <sub>2</sub> applied)                    |  | improve   |
| <b>Pain:</b> 0   | Other:                                       |   |
| <b>GSC:</b> 15   | Skin: warm, pale, and damp                   | If no nebulizer or steroids are given,          |
| BGL:   |  | patient continues to worsen during              |
| Suggested Treatments                                   |  | transport to hospital                           |
| Suggested Treatment:                                   |  | Transport Consideration:                        |
| Nebulizer, O <sub>2</sub> , Steroids,                  |  | Securing patient properly on cot                |
| Magnesium, Monitor                                     |  | Parent or guardian ride along                   |

### **ASTHMA**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

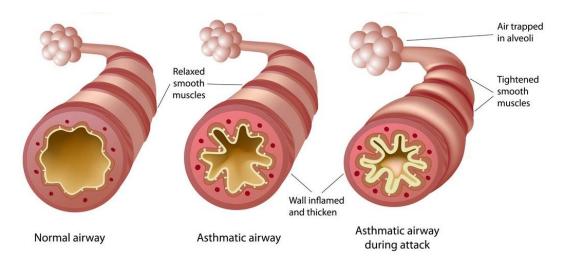
- Is the Albuterol at home in date
- What kind of system does the patient use for treatments
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Remove patient from any irritants present
- Any recent illnesses or new foods
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- American Academy of Pediatrics: Healthy Children
  - https://www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/conditions/allergiesasthma/Pages/Asthma-Fables-and-Facts.aspx
- Easy Auscultation: Lung Sounds Training Sessions
  - o https://www.easyauscultation.com/lung-sounds



#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

# \_Bronchodialtor\_\_\_\_\_

\*Graphic obtained from simplybiology.com

### CROUP

**Dispatch Information:** 

Goals/Objectives:

| Goals/Objectives:  | Dispatch Information:  |   |
|--|--|---|
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> </ul>                       | You are called to an apartment complex for a 4-year-old female having trouble breathing.   |   |
| Recognition of importance for                                      | Patient was asleep and woke her mother up saying she was coughing. Patient also has a fever and mother does not have any medication to give her at home. |   |
| position of comfort  | rever and mother does not have any medication  | n to give her at nome.                  |
| Recognition of transport   | Chief Compleint  | Additional Deseurses Demussted          |
| necessity  | Chief Complaint:   | Additional Resources Requested:         |
| Or an a Drag significant   | Difficulty Breathing   | Police and Fire Department, ALS         |
| Scene Description:   |  |   |
| • It is January, 18 degrees F outsi                                |  |   |
|  | bu down in the middle of the roadway and directs   |   |
| • You enter the apartment to find                                  | d a female holding a child on the bathroom floor.  | The shower is running                   |
| Initial Impression: Patient is in a                                | apparent distress and only looks at you for a seco   | nd as you enter the room. The child is  |
| -  | shirt. Patient is noted to have a deep bark-like co  | •                                       |
| Vital Sign – Set 1   | Physical Exam  | HPI: Sudden onset of coughing           |
| AVPU: Alert  |  |   |
| <b>B/P:</b> 110/60   | HEENT:   | S/S: Labored breathing, Hoarse and      |
| <b>HR:</b> 130, regular  | Head: Unremarkable   | deep cough, fever                       |
| Resp: 18, labored  | Eyes: PERL   |   |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 92% (room air)                   | Ears: Unremarkable   | Allergies: NKDA                         |
| Pain:  | Nose: Nasal flaring noted  | Medications: Multivitamin               |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15 (4, 5, 6)   | Oral Cavity: Lips are dry and cracked  |   |
| BGL:   | Chest:   | PmHx: None                              |
|  | Equal chest rise and fall noted, shallow   | Leet Meels Discussed 4020               |
| Vital Sign – Set 2   | Inspiratory stridor and slight retractions noted   | Last Meal: Dinner at 1830               |
| AVPU: Alert  | No external trauma noted   | Events Prior: Patient was sleeping in   |
| <b>B/P:</b> 116/70   |  | her room. She has had a cold for the    |
| HR: 128, regular   | Back:  | last several days                       |
| Resp: 16, labored  | Unremarkable   |   |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 96% (O <sub>2</sub> ), 92% (room | Abdomen/Pelvis:  | Current on Immunizations? No            |
| air)   | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation  | Patient Weight: 21kgs                   |
|  | No trauma noted  | Fallent Weight. 21kgs                   |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15 (4, 5, 6)  | Pelvis stable  |   |
| BGL: 72 mg/dl (if obtained)  | -  |   |
| Vital Sign – Set 3   | Extremity:   | Notes:                                  |
| AVPU: Alert  | No trauma noted to legs or arms  | Body Temp: 101.4 F                      |
| <b>B/P:</b> 116/66   | PMS x 4  | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia                  |
| HR: 132, regular   | Other:   |   |
| Resp: 18, labored  | Skin: Pink, Hot, Dry   | As you take the child outside, you note |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 96% (O2), 90% (room              | No step off's or tenderness noted to neck  | a relaxation and decreased coughing     |
| air)   | No step of s of tenderness noted to neck   |   |
| Pain: 2  |  | Patient can speak in 3 to 4-word        |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15 (4, 5, 6)  |  | sentences                               |
| BGL:   | 4  |   |
| Suggested Treatment:   |  | Transport Consideration:                |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, Airway                                   |  | Securing patient properly on cot        |
| management, Positioning  |  | Position of comfort                     |
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### CROUP

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

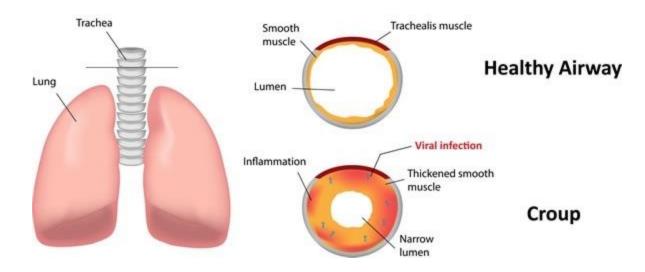
- Are any other family members sick
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Keeping the patient calm is imperative as the airway is already compromised
- Is the child scheduled to see a pediatrician for an immunization update
- When transporting, do not have the heater on full blast nor pointed directly on patient
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- American Academy of Pediatrics: Healthy Children
  - https://www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/conditions/chestlungs/Pages/Croup-Treatment.aspx
- Easy Auscultation: Lung Sounds Training Sessions
  - o https://www.easyauscultation.com/lung-sounds



Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

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# BRONCHITIS

| Goals/Objectives:   | Dispatch Information:  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> <li>Recognition of importance for position of comfort</li> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul> | You are dispatched to the local elementary school. The school nurse states she has a 9-<br>year-old male having trouble breathing and keeps coughing. Patient has had a cold for<br>the last 2-3 days and today is his first day back. School nurse advises they are unable to<br>reach the patient's parents. |  |
| necessity   | Chief Complaint:<br>Shortness of Breath, Increased fatigue   | Additional Resources Requested:<br>Police and Fire Department, ALS |

#### Scene Description:

- Early December, mid-morning around 1030
- School security personnel escort you to the school nurse's office
- Patient is noted to be on the exam table, nurse at his side with 4 other children with cold-like symptoms in the office

**Initial Impression:** Patient is noted to struggling for air and restless. Patient has taken off his sweater and undershirt is noted to be sweaty. Wheezing can be heard upon moving closer to the patient.

| Vital Sign – Set 1                                    | Physical Exam   | HPI: Patient cannot 'shake' this cold   |
|---|---|---|
| AVPU: Alert   | UEDAT   | 0/0                                     |
| <b>B/P:</b> 122/70                                    | HEENT:  | S/S: Headache, Sore throat, Tired,      |
| HR: 130, regular                                      | Head: Unremarkable  | Shortness of breath, Fever              |
| Resp: 28, shallow                                     | Eyes: PERL  | Allergies: NKDA                         |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 88% (room air)      | Ears: Right ear is red in color                                 | Allergies. MOA                          |
| Pain:   | Nose: Snot noted to be dripping from nose                       | Medications: Cough medicine for the     |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15 (4,5,6)                                | Oral Cavity: Unremarkable<br>Cough noted with phlegm production | last 2 days                             |
| BGL:  | Cough noted with phiegh production                              |   |
| Vital Sign – Set 2                                    | Chest:  | PmHx: Recent cold                       |
| AVPU: Alert   | Equal chest rise and fall noted, shallow                        | Last Meal: Donut around 0800            |
| <b>B/P:</b> 122/80                                    | Wheezing noted in upper lobes                                   |   |
| HR: 134, regular                                      | Retractions present   | Events Prior: Patient was in math class |
| Resp: 30, shallow                                     | No external trauma noted  | when he started feeling anxious and     |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 94% (O2), 86% (room | Bask  | could not catch his breath              |
| air)  | Back:   | Owners the an Investment in a Day       |
| <b>Pain:</b> 0  | Unremarkable  | Current on Immunizations? Yes           |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15 (4, 5, 6)                             | Abdomen/Pelvis:   | Patient Weight: 40kgs                   |
| BGL: 94 mg/dl   | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation                       |   |
| Vital Sign – Set 3                                    | No trauma noted   | Notes:                                  |
| AVPU: Alert   | Pelvis stable   | Body Temp: 101.0 F                      |
| <b>B/P:</b> 120/78                                    |   |   |
| HR: 132, regular                                      | Extremity:  | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia                  |
| Resp: 30, shallow                                     | No trauma noted to legs or arms                                 | Patient only able to speak in 4-5-word  |
| <b>O</b> 2 <b>Sat:</b> 96% (O2/neb), 86%              | PMS x 4   | sentences. States nothing is helping    |
| (room air)  | Other:  | him catch his breath                    |
| <b>Pain:</b> 0  | Skin: Pale, Warm, Moist   |   |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15 (4, 5, 6)                             | No step off's or tenderness noted to neck                       | Patient states he is getting tired      |
| BGL:  |   |   |
| Suggested Treatment:                                  |   | Transport Consideration:                |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, Airway                      |   | Securing patient properly on cot        |
| Management, IV, Fluids                                |   |   |

# BRONCHITIS

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

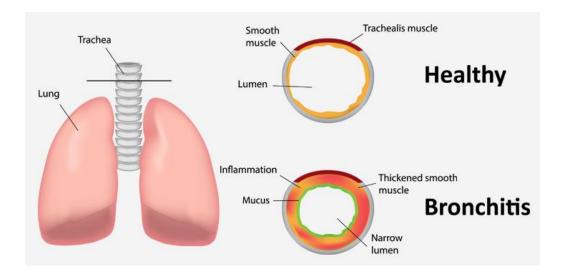
- Any recent illnesses or outbreaks within the school community
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Encourage patient to excrete phlegm if coughed up, produced
- Continuous monitoring and notation of lung sound changes
- Obtain contact information to guardians listed in school paperwork
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- The Nemours Foundation
  - o https://kidshealth.org/en/teens/bronchitis.html
  - Easy Auscultation: Lung Sounds Training Sessions
    - o https://www.easyauscultation.com/lung-sounds



#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

#### \_Bronchodilator\_\_\_\_\_

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## **EPIGLOTTITIS**

| <ul> <li>Goals/Objectives:</li> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> <li>Recognition of stridor and possible epiglottitis</li> <li>Recognition of importance for</li> </ul> | Dispatch Information:         You are responding to a 6-year-old female with difficulty swallowing. Patient is also having some trouble breathing. She has been sick for a few days, but this is a sudden onset and she is drooling a lot.         Chief Complaint:       Additional Resources Requested:         Difficulty Swallowing, difficulty breathing       Police and Fire Department, ALS |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| position of comfort<br>• Transport necessity   |   |  |  |
| Scene Description:<br>• Assess and secure airway   | n the front porch, then steps inside the open do  |  |  |

- The living room is tidy. A female is noted to be sitting next to the patient
- Male identifies as patient's father, and female as patient's mother

**Initial Impression:** Patient is sitting with hands clutching edge of sofa cushions. Patient's eyes lift to meet the crew, and she looks scared. Significant amount of drool noted to be dripping from patient's mouth and into a towel on her lap.

| she looks scared. Significant amount of door noted to be dripping from patient's mouth and into a tower of her rap. |   |                                       |  |  |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| Vital Sign – Set 1  | Physical Exam                                 | HPI: Has been sick with sore throat,  |  |  |
| AVPU: Alert   | HEENT:  | cough last few days. Suddenly unable  |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 108/70  | Head: No trauma noted                         | to swallow in last 30min, got worse   |  |  |
| HR: 124, regular  | Eyes: PERL                                    | with drooling                         |  |  |
| Resp: 30, shallow   | Ears: Unremarkable                            |                                       |  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98% (room air)  | Nose: Unremarkable                            | S/S: large amount of saliva out of    |  |  |
| Pain: 0   | Oral Cavity: Pink, mouth slightly open,       | mouth, shallow breathing, stridor     |  |  |
| GCS: 15   | significant amount of saliva dripping         | audible                               |  |  |
| <b>BGL:</b> (see below if requested)  |   | Allergies: Penicillin                 |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 2  | Chest:  |                                       |  |  |
| AVPU: Alert   | Equal chest rise and fall noted               | Medications: None                     |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 99/62   | Clear lung fields                             |                                       |  |  |
| <b>HR:</b> 126, regular   | Stridor noted with respirations               | PmHx: None                            |  |  |
| Resp: 32, shallow   | Shallow breathing, nonlabored                 | Last Meal: Lunch, approx. 3 hours ago |  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 97% (room air); 98%   | Back:   |                                       |  |  |
| (nebulizer applied)   | No external trauma noted                      | Events Prior: Was reading             |  |  |
| Pain: 0   |   |                                       |  |  |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15   | Abdomen/Pelvis:                               | Current on Immunizations? Yes         |  |  |
| BGL: 78 mg/dl   | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation     | Patient Weight: 29kgs                 |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 3  | No trauma noted                               | Notes:                                |  |  |
| AVPU: Alert   | Pelvis stable                                 | Body Temp: 101.2F                     |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 104/70  | Extromity                                     |                                       |  |  |
| <b>HR:</b> 122, regular   | Extremity:<br>No trauma noted to legs or arms | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia, no ectopy     |  |  |
| Resp: 32, shallow   | PMS x 4                                       |                                       |  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98% (room air/O2/neb)   |   | Patient tolerates the nebulizer for   |  |  |
| <b>Pain:</b> 0  | Other:  | nebulized epinephrine (or racemic     |  |  |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15   | Skin: Warm                                    | epinephrine) treatment                |  |  |
| BGL:  | No step off's or tenderness noted to neck     |                                       |  |  |
| Suggested Treatment:  |   | Transport Consideration:              |  |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, IV, Airway  |   | Securing patient properly on cot      |  |  |
| Management  |   |                                       |  |  |
|   | 20  | 1                                     |  |  |

## **EPIGLOTTITIS**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

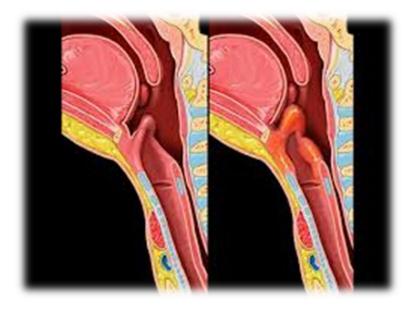
• Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Information on recent illness
- Acute epiglottitis usually leads to generalized toxemia
- There is no seasonal predilection to epiglottitis
- Tracheal intubation of a patient with epiglottitis must be regarded as a potentially difficult procedure
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- American Academy of Pediatrics: Healthy Children
  - www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/conditions/ear-nosethroat/Pages/Epiglottitis.aspx



Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

## **TRACHEOSTOMY**

| Goals/Objectives:  | Dispatch Information:  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Assess and maintain airway</li> <li>Recognition of need to<br/>suction trach</li> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul> | You are responding to a 2-year-old male with difficulty breathing. Pati<br>tracheostomy since motor vehicle accident that happened six months ago. H<br>had a fever for the last several days. Patient is on his own ventilator that parer<br>to operate during transport. |  |  |  |
| necessity  | Chief Complaint:       Additional Resources Requeste         Difficulty breathing, Fever       Police and Fire Department, ALS   |  |  |  |

#### **Scene Description:**

- As you arrive, you note a wheelchair ramp to the front porch, leading from the driveway
- Patient has a trach and is on a home ventilator. Hallways are wide enough for a cot to be maneuvered
- Patient's mother says she had to increase patient's FiO<sub>2</sub> on the ventilator from his normal 30% to 80% to keep his SpO<sub>2</sub> normal.

Initial Impression: Patient is sitting in an at-home hospital bed, semi-fowler's position. You hear noisy breathing and the patient has a wet cough with weak effort. He looks at you when you enter the room.

| BGL: (see below if requested)Oral contry interventionVital Sign - Set 2<br>AVPU: Alertapplied chapstick-type protectant to lipsMedications: Tylenol, ibup<br>fever; probiotics, multivitar0/58<br>HR: 122, regular<br>Resp: 44, shallow<br>O2 Sat: 98% (FiO2 80%)Chest:<br>Equal chest rise and fall noted<br>Coarse lung sounds02 Sat: 98% (FiO2 80%)<br>Pain: 0<br>GSC: 12 (able to make sounds)Pack:<br>No external trauma noted02 Sat: 98% (FiO2 80%)<br>Pain: 0<br>GSC: 12 (able to make sounds)Back:<br>No external trauma noted02 Sat: 98% (FiO2 80%)<br>Pain: 0<br>Q2 Sat: 98% (FiO2 80%)Abdomen/Pelvis:<br>All quadrants soft and non-tender<br>Pelvis stable<br>GI tube in place, looks clean02 Sat: 98% (FiO2 80%)<br>Pain: 0<br>Q2 Sat: 98% (FiO2 80%)Abdomen/Pelvis:<br>No trauma noted to legs or arms02 Sat: 98% (FiO2 80%)<br>Pain: 0<br>GSC: 12 (able to make sounds)Extremity:<br>No trauma noted to legs or arms02 Sat: 98% (FiO2 80%)<br>Pain: 0Other:02 Sat: 98% (FiO2 80%)Other: | Vital Sign – Set 1<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: $88/56$<br>HR: 124, regular<br>Resp: 40, shallow<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (FiO <sub>2</sub> 80%)<br>Pain: 0<br>GSC: 12 (able to make sounds) | Physical Exam<br>HEENT:<br>Head: No trauma noted<br>Eyes: PERL, Spontaneous movement<br>Ears: Unremarkable<br>Nose: Some nasal drainage, yellow/cloudy;<br>Neck: Trach in place, secured around the neck | <ul> <li>HPI: Fever for three days, increasing congestion. More lethargic than normal. Normally off except for at night, but today 100% usage</li> <li>S/S: Fever, skin hot and flushed, tachycardic, lethargic, decreased SpO<sub>2</sub></li> <li>Allergies: Penicillin (hives)</li> </ul> |
|--|--|--|--|
| BGL: 90 mg/dlNotestVital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: AlertAbdomen/Pelvis:<br>All quadrants soft and non-tender<br>Pelvis stableNotes:<br>Body Temp: 103.2 FB/P: 87/56<br>HR: 126, regular<br>Resp: 40, shallow (no change<br>with any treatments)All quadrants soft and non-tender<br>Pelvis stable<br>GI tube in place, looks cleanEKG: Sinus Tachycardia, no<br>Patient uses cloth diapers, '<br>recently changed; fewer nu<br>wet diapers than normal.O2 Sat: 98% (FiO2 80%)<br>Pain: 0<br>GSC: 12 (able to make sounds)<br>BGL:Other:<br>Skin: hot to touch, flushed<br>No recent trauma knownPatient's mom can accomp<br>& operate the transport ve<br>No recent properly of<br>Securing patient properly of  | BGL: (see below if requested)<br>Vital Sign – Set 2<br>AVPU: Alert<br>0/58<br>HR: 122, regular<br>Resp: 44, shallow<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (FiO <sub>2</sub> 80%)<br>Pain: 0         | applied chapstick-type protectant to lips<br><b>Chest:</b><br>Equal chest rise and fall noted<br>Coarse lung sounds<br>Shallow breathing, nonlabored<br>Frequent weak coughs, wet<br><b>Back:</b>        | Medications: Tylenol, ibuprofen for<br>fever; probiotics, multivitamin, DHA<br>PmHx: MVC resulting TBI; pneumonia<br>Last Meal: via GI tube, 2 hour ago<br>Current on Immunizations? Yes   |
| Suction, O <sub>2</sub> , Steroids, position Securing patient properly of  | BGL: 90 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 87/56<br>HR: 126, regular   | <b>Abdomen/Pelvis:</b><br>All quadrants soft and non-tender<br>Pelvis stable   | Notes:   |
|  | with any treatments)<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (FiO <sub>2</sub> 80%)<br>Pain: 0<br>GSC: 12 (able to make sounds)<br>BGL:   | Extremity:<br>No trauma noted to legs or arms<br>Other:<br>Skin: hot to touch, flushed   | Patient's mom can accompany patient & operate the transport ventilator   |

## TRACHEOSTOMY

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Maintain as sterile environment as you can
- Family centered care

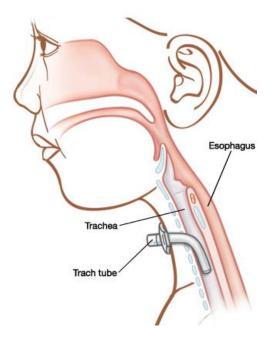
#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- The guardian will be your most abundant resource
- D-O-P-E = Dislodged, Obstructed, Pneumothorax, Equipment
- Alerting receiving hospital about additional medical needs; ventilator, replacement trach
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- Nationwide Children's
  - o www.nationwidechildrens.org/tracheostomy-care-how-to-suction-your-childs-trach-tube





#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\*Graphic 1 obtained from amdnext.com \*Graphic 2 obtained from Fairview.org

## TRAUMA SCENARIOS



## **CHILD ABUSE**

| Goals/Objectives:                            | Dispatch Information:  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| • Stay nonjudgmental and calm                | You are dispatched to a 2-year-old lethargic m   | ale patient at a local daycare. Guardian   |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of suspected</li> </ul> |  | dropped off the patient approximately 20 minutes ago and stated that the patient was |  |  |
| abuse, injury pattern                        | more tired this morning than normal. Staff states that the patient is now vomiting and |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul> | keeps falling asleep.  |  |  |  |
| necessity to appropriate                     | Chief Complaint: Additional Resources Requested:                                       |  |  |  |
| facility                                     | Lethargic patient, vomiting Police and Fire Department, ALS                            |  |  |  |

#### **Scene Description:**

- It is a warm, summer morning at 0815
- Patient is found in the front office being held by a staff member. Another member is trying to make contact with family
- Patient is noted to be in his long sleeve pajamas. Staff state these are the clothes that he came in this morning
- Small amounts of vomitus is noted on patients hands, shirt and on the staff member holding him

**Initial Impression:** Patient makes no eye contact with EMS upon arrival and lays limp without movement during your assessment. Bruising is noted on the patients left ear and he moans when you touch the left side of his head

| Vital Sign – Set 1                                      | Physical Exam                                  | HPI: Patient refused to wake for            |
|---|--|---|
| AVPU: Verbal  |  | breakfast. 5 minutes after, he started      |
| <b>B/P:</b> 90/60                                       | HEENT:   | projectile vomiting                         |
| HR: 130, regular  | Head: Hematoma noted to the left temporal      |   |
| <b>Resp:</b> 24, shallow                                | Eyes: Left pupil is sluggish, Right is dilated | <b>S/S:</b> Vomited approx. 50cc's          |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 96% (room air)        | Ears: Bruising noted to left ear               |   |
| Pain:   | Nose: Unremarkable                             | Allergies: None on file                     |
| <b>GCS</b> : 10 (3,3,4)                                 | Oral Cavity: Child is missing teeth            | Medications: None on file                   |
| BGL:  | Patient able to clear and control own airway   |   |
| -   | Chest:   | <b>PmHx:</b> An unexplained seizure approx. |
| Vital Sign – Set 2                                      | Equal chest rise and fall noted, shallow       | 4 weeks ago                                 |
| AVPU: Verbal  | Lung sounds clear                              |   |
| <b>B/P:</b> 94/82                                       | Bruises of different colors noted to left side | Last Meal: Patient refused breakfast        |
| HR: 126, regular  |  | Events Prior: Patient has laid on the       |
| Resp: 24, shallow                                       | Back:  | floor since being brought to school.        |
| <b>O<sub>2</sub> Sat:</b> 98% (O <sub>2</sub> ) and 96% | Red marks are noted on left lower back         | Guardian denied any illnesses               |
| (room air)  |  | Guardian demed any innesses                 |
| Pain:   | Abdomen/Pelvis:                                | Current on Immunizations? Yes               |
| <b>GCS:</b> 10 (3,3,4)                                  | Guarding noted in left lower quadrant          |   |
| BGL: 80 mg/dl (if assessed)                             | Slight distention noted to upper quadrants     | Patient Weight: 9kgs                        |
| Vital Sign – Set 3                                      | Pelvis stable                                  | Notes:                                      |
| AVPU: Verbal  | Extremity:                                     | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia                      |
| <b>B/P:</b> 96/76                                       | Bruising noted to upper extremities            |   |
| HR: 132, regular  | PMS x 4 (presumed, since child moves limb      | Staff notes that patient has been           |
| Resp: 24, shallow                                       | away when pain applied)                        | having increased wet diapers and            |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (O <sub>2</sub> )        |  | scares easily the last few weeks            |
| Pain:   | Other:   | Staff state that no injury reports had      |
| <b>GCS:</b> 10 (3,3,4)                                  | Skin: Pale, warm                               | been filed recently at school               |
| BGL:  | Patient moans when neck is palpated            |   |
| Suggested Treatment:                                    |  | Transport Consideration:                    |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, IV access                     |  | Securing patient properly on cot            |
|   |  | Appropriate trauma facility                 |

## **CHILD ABUSE**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

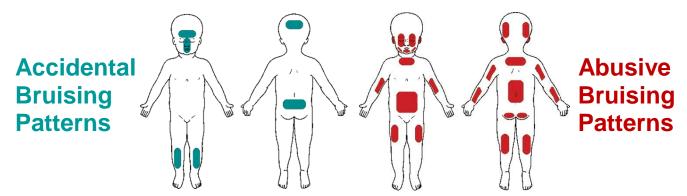
- Has staff noted any behavioral changes
- Is the incident described possible with injury patterns and/or evidence visualized on scene
- Family centered care; in this case, the daycare facility staff members

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Remove patient from dangerous or unhealthy situation and transport to hospital
- Trending of vital signs is important when considering suspected head trauma
- Documentation of statements by individuals on scene needs to be properly quoted
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility
- State law in Kansas states that as a prehospital care provider, you are a mandatory reporter of suspected child abuse. Follow local policy and procedure for reporting

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- Kansas Department for Children and Families
  - www.dcf.ks.gov
  - Reports of Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of an Adult or Child may be made to the Kansas Protection Report Center.
    - By phone: 1-800-922-5330
    - Online: Mandated Reporter Only
- Online child abuse recognition education provided by Children's Hospital Colorado
  - http://www.identifychildabuse.org/



Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\_Nearest trauma center (see page 60) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Graphic obtained from Pediatric EM Morsels

## **MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH**

| Goals/Objectives:                                    | Dispatch Information:   |                                       |  |  |  |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| • Remove patient from dangers                        | You are responding to a rollover accident with a known fatality of the driver and a 4 |                                       |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> </ul>         | year-old ejected patient. Vehicle was traveling at highway speeds when it lost contr  |                                       |  |  |  |
| • Recognition of Cushing's Triad                     | and rolled 3 times after going off the road. A nurse is on scene maintain c-spine and |                                       |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul>         | triaging code red.  | 1                                     |  |  |  |
| necessity to most appropriate                        | Chief Complaint:  | Additional Resources Requested:       |  |  |  |
| facility   | MVC, Ejection   | Police and Fire Department, ALS       |  |  |  |
| Scene Description:                                   |   |                                       |  |  |  |
| • Summer afternoon around 150                        | 0. A thunderstorm came through last night and a                                       | rea received 2 inches of rain         |  |  |  |
|  | tely 10 feet from the vehicle. Extensive damage i                                     |                                       |  |  |  |
| • Patient is face up in a muddy fie                  | eld with bystanders at his side   |                                       |  |  |  |
| Initial Impression: Multi-system                     | trauma patient. Patient ejected and found appro                                       | oximately 10 feet from vehicle.       |  |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 1                                   | Physical Exam   | HPI: Bystanders state that the patier |  |  |  |
| AVPU: Painful appropriate                            | -   | came out of an open window on the 2'  |  |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 130/80                                   | HEENT:  | rollover of the vehicle               |  |  |  |
| HR: 70, regular                                      | Head: Abrasion noted to right temporal  |                                       |  |  |  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 14, shallow                             | Eyes: Sluggish  | S/S: Decreased LOC, Incontinenc       |  |  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 94% (room air)     | Ears: Unremarkable  | noted, shallow breathing              |  |  |  |
| <b>Pain:</b>   | Nose: Blood noted to right nostril  |                                       |  |  |  |
| -  | Oral Cavity: Unremarkable   | Allergies: Unknown                    |  |  |  |
| <b>GCS</b> : 9 (2, 2, 5)                             | Patient currently breathing on his own  | Medications: Unknown                  |  |  |  |
| BGL:   |   | Medications. Onknown                  |  |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 2                                   | Chest:  | PmHx: Unknown                         |  |  |  |
| AVPU: Painful appropriate                            | Equal chest rise and fall noted, shallow  |                                       |  |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 134/80                                   | Lung sounds clear, slightly diminished in right                                       | Last Meal: Unknown                    |  |  |  |
| HR: 68, regular                                      | upper lobe  | Events Drive part of the              |  |  |  |
| Resp: 12, shallow                                    | Laceration noted to right thoracic, no blood  | Events Prior: Patient's vehicle wa    |  |  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 94% (O2) 90% (room | Back:   | traveling at highway speed and for    |  |  |  |
| air)   | Redness noted to right lower back   | unknown reasons left the roadway      |  |  |  |
| Pain:  |   | Current on Immunizations? Unknow      |  |  |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 9 (2, 2, 5)                              | Abdomen/Pelvis:   |                                       |  |  |  |
| <b>BGL:</b> 80 mg/dl (if assessed)                   | No rebound tenderness noted   | Patient Weight: 18kgs                 |  |  |  |
|  | Pelvis stable   | •                                     |  |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 3                                   |   | Notes:                                |  |  |  |
| <b>AVPU:</b> Painful appropriate                     | Extremity:  | Body Temp: 98.5 F                     |  |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 140/90                                   | Small lacerations noted to all extremities  |                                       |  |  |  |
| <b>HR:</b> 52, regular                               | Bleeding is controlled. No deformities noted  | ECG: Sinus and Sinus Bradycardia      |  |  |  |
|  | PMS x 4 (presumed, since child moves limb   |                                       |  |  |  |
| Resp: 12, shallow                                    | away when pain applied)   | Patient vomits as you begin transport |  |  |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 96% (Interventions)              | Other   | Reassessment of lung sounds revea     |  |  |  |
| 88% (Room air or just O <sub>2</sub> )               | Other:  | 0                                     |  |  |  |
| Pain:  | Skin: Pale, warm  | right side is now absent (durin       |  |  |  |
| <b>GCS</b> : 9 (2, 2, 5)                             | No step off's or tenderness noted to neck   | transport)                            |  |  |  |
| BGL:   | Patient whimpers as you palpate extremities   |                                       |  |  |  |
| Suggested Treatment:                                 | during your assessment  | Transport Consideration:              |  |  |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, C-spine, IV, Airway        |   | Securing patient properly on cot      |  |  |  |
| management   |   |                                       |  |  |  |

## **MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

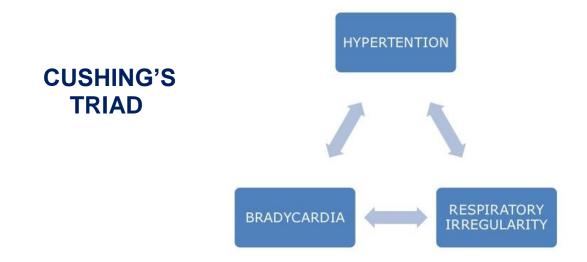
- Provider and bystander safety; vehicle stability if working below or around vehicle
- Safe removal of patient from field to ambulance
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Preparation of and for airway management
- Preparation of and for seizure activity
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- Pediatric Trauma Society: Clinical Resources
  - o http://pediatrictraumasociety.org/resources/clinical-resources.cgi
- Cushing's Triad
  - o http://www.emergencymedicalparamedic.com/what-is-cushings-triad/



Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\_ Nearest trauma center (see page 60) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Graphic obtained from slideshare.net

## **NEAR DROWNING**

Patient was reported underwater for 2-3 minutes.

You are responding to a possible drowning at the local swimming pool. Swim lessons are

being conducted, however the patient is a 4-year-old male, not participating in any class.

**Dispatch Information:** 

**Goals/Objectives:** 

• Assess and secure airway

• Treatment of hypothermia

• Recognition of risk and/or

| presence of secondary trauma                       |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| Recognition of transpor<br>necessity               |  | Additional Resources Requested:<br>Police and Fire Department, ALS |
| Scene Description:                                 |  |  |
| • Community Pool going from 2                      | foot to 10 foot in water depth and has been oper                       | n for one week   |
| • It is a May evening with ambi                    | ent temperature noted to be 64 degrees Fahrenhe                        | eit  |
| • As you arrive you note multip                    | le parents and children crying and waving you into                     | o the gated area   |
| • Lifeguard on scene is kneeling                   | ; with patient. Patient in sitting upright position ag                 | ainst the chain link fence   |
| Initial Improcesion: Dationt is in                 | regular street dathes noted to be used sitting upvi                    | abt coughing and whimpering  |
| Vital Sign – Set 1                                 | regular street clothes noted to be wet sitting upri<br>Physical Exam   | HPI: See events prior below  |
| AVPU: Alert  | Filysical Exam   | TIPT. See events prior below                                       |
| B/P: 88/52   | HEENT:   | S/S: Vomit, coughing, anxious                                      |
| <b>HR:</b> 124, regular                            | Head: No trauma noted  |  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 28, unlabored                         | Eyes: PERL   | Allergies: NKDA  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 92% (room air)   | Ears: Unremarkable   | Medications: Multivitamin  |
| Pain:  | Nose: Clear fluid noted  |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 14                                     | Oral Cavity: Vomitus noted   | PmHx: Unremarkable   |
| BGL:   | Patient able to clear and control own airway                           |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 2                                 | Chest:   | Last Meal: Eating snack 5 min before                               |
| AVPU: Alert  | Equal chest rise and fall noted  | Events Prior: Patient was playing near                             |
| <b>B/P:</b> 90/62                                  | Crackles noted in lower lobes  | pool when pregnant mother saw him                                  |
| HR: 108, regular                                   | Upper lung lobes clear   | leaning over to retrieve a toy                                     |
| Resp: 24, nonlabored                               | No external trauma noted   |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98% (O2 applied) |  | Current on Immunizations? Yes                                      |
| <b>Pain:</b> 0                                     | Back:  |  |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15                                    | No external trauma noted   | Patient Weight: 16kgs  |
| BGL: 87 mg/dl                                      | Abdomen/Pelvis:  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 3                                 | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation                              | Notes:   |
| AVPU: Alert  | All quadrants soft and slight distension noted                         | Body Temp: 97.1  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 90/70                                  | to upper left quadrant   | EKG: Sinus Tachycardia   |
| HR: 112, regular                                   | Pelvis stable  |  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 24, nonlabored                        |  | Patient vomits approx. 100cc's during                              |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98% (O2 applied) | Extremity:   | packaging for transport  |
| <b>Pain:</b> 0                                     | No trauma noted to legs or arms  |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15                                     | PMS x 4  |  |
| BGL:   | Other  |  |
| Suggested Treatment:                               | - Other:   | Transport Consideration:   |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Suction, Monitor,                 | Skin: Cool, pale and damp<br>No step off's or tenderness noted to neck | Securing patient properly on cot                                   |
|  |  | Parent or guardian ride along                                      |

## **NEAR DROWNING**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Water temperature
- Chemicals of the pool and last treatment
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Drying and warming of the patient
- Patient modesty if/when removing clothing
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- Consumer Product Safety Commission
  - https://www.cpsc.gov/safety-education/neighborhood-safetynetwork/toolkits/drowning-prevention
- Georgia Safe Kids
  - o http://www.safekidsgeorgia.org/

#### DROWNING Chain of Survival - A call for action Prevent drowning Bessie in & around was Call for help Call for help

#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

#### \_Nearest trauma center \_\_\_\_\_

\*Graphic obtained from International Drowning Research Alliance (IDRA)

## **BURN; SMOKE INHALATION**

| Goals/Objectives:   | Dispatch Information:   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> <li>Assess for risk of secondary<br/>trauma</li> </ul> | The fire department has requested you to respond to a scene of an extinguished house fire. Patient is a 16-year-old male that was asleep in the basement when he heard the smoke detectors going off. He awoke to find a fire on the upper level of his home. |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of transport<br/>necessity and destination</li> </ul>                    | Chief Complaint:       Additional Resources Requested:         Trouble breathing; possible smoke inhalation       Police and Fire Department, ALS   |  |  |
| Scene Description:<br>• Arrive on scene to find patient                                       | t being attended to by the fire department  |  |  |

- Patient was reported to have gone back into the home numerous time trying to remove animals
- Home is a complete loss according to fire department

**Initial Impression:** Patient is having a hard time catching his breath and can only speak in short sentences. Patient is noted to have a continuous cough that produces a soot.

| Vital Sign – Set 1  | Physical Exam   | HPI: See Events Prior  |
|---|---|--|
| AVPU: Alert   | HEENT:  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 130/80  | HEENT:<br>Head: Unremarkable  | <b>S/S</b> : Cough; producing soot, nauseated  |
| HR: 125, regular  | Eyes: PERL  | Allergies: NKDA  |
| Resp: 26, labored, shallow  | Ears: Unremarkable  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 92% (room air)  | Nose: Singed nasal airs   | Medications: None  |
| Pain: 7   | Oral Cavity: Lips noted to be red and swollen   | <b>PmHx:</b> Broken leg two years ago  |
| GCS: 15   | Patient able to clear and control own airway  | FINIA. BIOKEN leg two years ago  |
| BGL:  |   | Last Meal: Lunch 12 hours ago  |
| Vital Sign – Set 2  | Chest:  | _ /  |
| AVPU: Alert   | Equal chest rise and fall noted, shallow  | Events Prior: Sleeping when awaken   |
| <b>B/P:</b> 126/84  | Lung sounds diminished in all lobes<br>No external trauma noted   | by house on fire. Patient spent approx.  |
| HR: 115, regular  | No external trauma noteu  | 15 minutes getting animals before fire   |
| Resp: 28, labored, shallow  | Back:   | department removed him from scene  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 96% (O <sub>2</sub> ) 92% (room   | Unremarkable  | Current on Immunizations? Yes  |
| air)  | Alexandre (Delexie)   |  |
|   |   |  |
| Pain: 7   | Abdomen/Pelvis:   | Patient Weight: 54kgs  |
| GCS: 15   | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation   | Patient weight: 54kgs  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15<br><b>BGL:</b> 105 mg/dl   | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted  |  |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 105 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3   | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation   | Notes:   |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 105 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert  | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted<br>Pelvis stable   |  |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 105 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 132/90   | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted  | Notes:<br>Body Temp:   |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 105 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 132/90<br>HR: 118, regular   | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted<br>Pelvis stable<br><b>Extremity:</b>  | Notes:   |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 105 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 132/90<br>HR: 118, regular<br>Resp: 28, labored, shallow   | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted<br>Pelvis stable<br><b>Extremity:</b><br>First degree burns noted to hands<br>PMS x 4  | Notes:<br>Body Temp:   |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 105 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 132/90<br>HR: 118, regular<br>Resp: 28, labored, shallow<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (nebulizer) 96%  | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted<br>Pelvis stable<br>Extremity:<br>First degree burns noted to hands<br>PMS x 4<br>Other:   | Notes:<br>Body Temp:<br>ECG: Sinus Tachycardia   |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 105 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 132/90<br>HR: 118, regular<br>Resp: 28, labored, shallow<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (nebulizer) 96%<br>(O <sub>2</sub> )   | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted<br>Pelvis stable<br>Extremity:<br>First degree burns noted to hands<br>PMS x 4<br>Other:<br>Skin: Pale, warm   | Notes:<br>Body Temp:<br>ECG: Sinus Tachycardia<br>Patient requests a drink of water<br>numerous times during contact   |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 105 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 132/90<br>HR: 118, regular<br>Resp: 28, labored, shallow<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (nebulizer) 96%<br>(O <sub>2</sub> )<br>Pain: 7  | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted<br>Pelvis stable<br>Extremity:<br>First degree burns noted to hands<br>PMS x 4<br>Other:   | Notes:<br>Body Temp:<br>ECG: Sinus Tachycardia<br>Patient requests a drink of water<br>numerous times during contact<br>Patient has increased nausea during  |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 105 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 132/90<br>HR: 118, regular<br>Resp: 28, labored, shallow<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (nebulizer) 96%<br>(O <sub>2</sub> )<br>Pain: 7<br>GCS: 15                                 | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted<br>Pelvis stable<br><b>Extremity:</b><br>First degree burns noted to hands<br>PMS x 4<br><b>Other:</b><br>Skin: Pale, warm<br>No step offs or tenderness noted to neck   | Notes:<br>Body Temp:<br>ECG: Sinus Tachycardia<br>Patient requests a drink of water<br>numerous times during contact   |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 105 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 132/90<br>HR: 118, regular<br>Resp: 28, labored, shallow<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (nebulizer) 96%<br>(O <sub>2</sub> )<br>Pain: 7<br>GCS: 15<br>BGL:                         | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted<br>Pelvis stable<br><b>Extremity:</b><br>First degree burns noted to hands<br>PMS x 4<br><b>Other:</b><br>Skin: Pale, warm<br>No step offs or tenderness noted to neck<br>Patient complains of throat scratching and | Notes:<br>Body Temp:<br>ECG: Sinus Tachycardia<br>Patient requests a drink of water<br>numerous times during contact<br>Patient has increased nausea during<br>transport                             |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 105 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 132/90<br>HR: 118, regular<br>Resp: 28, labored, shallow<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (nebulizer) 96%<br>(O <sub>2</sub> )<br>Pain: 7<br>GCS: 15<br>BGL:<br>Suggested Treatment: | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted<br>Pelvis stable<br><b>Extremity:</b><br>First degree burns noted to hands<br>PMS x 4<br><b>Other:</b><br>Skin: Pale, warm<br>No step offs or tenderness noted to neck   | Notes:<br>Body Temp:<br>ECG: Sinus Tachycardia<br>Patient requests a drink of water<br>numerous times during contact<br>Patient has increased nausea during<br>transport<br>Transport Consideration: |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 105 mg/dl<br>Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert<br>B/P: 132/90<br>HR: 118, regular<br>Resp: 28, labored, shallow<br>O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (nebulizer) 96%<br>(O <sub>2</sub> )<br>Pain: 7<br>GCS: 15<br>BGL:                         | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted<br>Pelvis stable<br><b>Extremity:</b><br>First degree burns noted to hands<br>PMS x 4<br><b>Other:</b><br>Skin: Pale, warm<br>No step offs or tenderness noted to neck<br>Patient complains of throat scratching and | Notes:<br>Body Temp:<br>ECG: Sinus Tachycardia<br>Patient requests a drink of water<br>numerous times during contact<br>Patient has increased nausea during<br>transport                             |

## **BURN; SMOKE INHALATION**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Safe access and egress from fire scene
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Remove patient for burn source and/or stop the burning process
- Oxygen should be delivered via Nonrebreather at 15 liters
- O<sub>2</sub> saturations may <u>not</u> be reliable.
  - $\circ$  The sensor could be measuring both carbon and oxygen as 'good' O<sub>2</sub>
- Prepare to secure airway for patient if he is unable to maintain own airway
   Prepare for increased swelling and unidentifiable landmarks
- Keep patient compartment warm in ambulance, assessing for signs of shock
- Do not fluid overload the patient. Follow protocols for proper fluid administration
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport patient in position of comfort, ease of breathing
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- American Burn Association
  - o http://ameriburn.org/education/



Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\_Calculation method for Total Body Surface Area (TBSA) \_\_\_\_\_

#### \_Calculation method for Fluid Resuscitation\_\_\_\_\_

\_Nearest verified Burn Center\_\_\_\_\_

\*Graphic obtained from clincalgate.com

## **BURN; ACCIDENTAL SCALDING**

You are dispatched to a local retirement center when the caller states her 3-year-old

**Dispatch Information:** 

Goals/Objectives:

• Assess and secure airway

| <ul> <li>Assess and secure airway</li> </ul>     | You are dispatched to a local retirement cent   | •   |  |  |  |
|--|---|---|--|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Recognition of splash</li> </ul>        | grandson pulled a cup of coffee off the table and onto his face and arm. Caller states that |   |  |  |  |
| patterns and additional burns                    | the little boy is crying and scared but will not  | let go of her, so she can see the injured         |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul>     | area.   |   |  |  |  |
| necessity to appropriate                         | Chief Complaint:  | Additional Resources Requested:                   |  |  |  |
| facility   | Burn injury   | Police and Fire Department, ALS                   |  |  |  |
| Scene Description:                               |   |   |  |  |  |
|  | pendent living area of the retirement community   | 1   |  |  |  |
|  | er lap and he has his head hidden from you as you   |   |  |  |  |
| • •  | a cup of coffee and set it on the table to get patie  |   |  |  |  |
| • Cup noted on floor with coffee                 |   |   |  |  |  |
|  |   |   |  |  |  |
| Initial Impression: Possible 1 <sup>st</sup> a   | nd 2 <sup>nd</sup> degree burns noted to visible area of patie                              | ent's head, face and arm. Patient able to         |  |  |  |
|  | nother. No distress noted as he is crying.  |   |  |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 1                               | Physical Exam   | HPI: Grandmother was 3 feet away                  |  |  |  |
| AVPU: Alert                                      |   | when patient pulled cup down                      |  |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 90/60                                | HEENT:  |   |  |  |  |
| HR: 132, regular                                 | Head: Left temporal area is red and small   | S/S: Redness to left hand, lower and              |  |  |  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 24, nonlabored                      | blisters noted  | upper arm. Redness and blisters noted             |  |  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 97% (room air) | Eyes: PERL  | to left side of head and face                     |  |  |  |
| <b>Pain:</b> 8                                   | Ears: Left ear is red   |   |  |  |  |
|  | Nose: Unremarkable  | Allergies: None                                   |  |  |  |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15 (4, 5, 6)                        | Oral Cavity: Unremarkable   | Medications: Multivitamin                         |  |  |  |
| BGL:   | Patient able to clear and control own airway.   |   |  |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 2                               | Left side of face is red, small blisters noted  | PmHx: None  |  |  |  |
| AVPU: Alert                                      |   |   |  |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 92/70                                | Chest:  | Last Meal: Cracker 20 minutes ago                 |  |  |  |
| HR: 136, regular                                 | Equal chest rise and fall noted   |   |  |  |  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 24, nonlabored                      | Lung sounds clear   | <b>Events Prior:</b> Patient was preparing to     |  |  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 97% (room air) | Left side of thorax is red when exposed   | eat breakfast at kitchen table                    |  |  |  |
| Pain: 8  | Back:   | Current on Immunizations? Yes                     |  |  |  |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15 (4, 5, 6)                        | Unremarkable  | Current on Infinitunizations? Yes                 |  |  |  |
|  | Onemarkable   | Patient Weight: 14kgs                             |  |  |  |
| BGL: 82 mg/dl (if assessed)                      | Abdomen/Pelvis:   |   |  |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 3                               | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation   | Notes:  |  |  |  |
| AVPU: Alert                                      | No trauma noted   | Body Temp: 99.0                                   |  |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 88/64 (with medication)              | Pelvis stable   | FCC: Sinus Tachucardia                            |  |  |  |
| HR: 130, regular                                 |   | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia                            |  |  |  |
| Resp: 22, nonlabored                             | Extremity:  | Shirt is removed to reveal 1 <sup>st</sup> degree |  |  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 97% (room air) | Left hand, upper and lower arm is red   | burns to left thorax. Shirt is wet and            |  |  |  |
| Pain: 7 (with medication)                        | PMS x 4   | smells life coffee                                |  |  |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15 (4, 5, 6)                         |   |   |  |  |  |
| <b>BGL</b> :                                     | Other:  | Patient is noted to be left handed and            |  |  |  |
|  | Skin: Warm, Pink, Dry   | grandmother confirms                              |  |  |  |
| Suggested Treatment:                             | No step off's or tenderness noted to neck   | Transport Consideration:                          |  |  |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, IV, Pain control       |   | Securing patient properly on cot                  |  |  |  |
| . , , -  |   | Position of comfort                               |  |  |  |

## **BURN; ACCIDENTAL SCALDING**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Keep in mind splash patterns and secondary trauma sources
- Is the incident described possible with injury patterns and/or evidence visualized on scene
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Pain Control; both positional in maintaining as sterile environment as possible and medications
- When measuring TBSA, remember that first degree burns <u>DO NOT</u> go into the calculation
- Keep patient compartment warm in ambulance, assessing for signs of shock
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

| TBSA Burn Age-Based Distribution |             |           |         |             |           | HEALTH |          |    |       |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------|---------|-------------|-----------|--------|----------|----|-------|
| Area                             | Birth- 1 yr | 1-4 yrs   | 5-9 yrs | 10-14 yrs   | 15-18 yrs | Adult  | 2°       | 3° | Total |
| Head                             | 19          | 17        | 13      | 11          | 9         | 7      |          |    |       |
| Neck                             | 2           | 2         | 2       | 2           | 2         | 2      |          |    |       |
| Ant Trunk                        | 13          | 13        | 13      | 13          | 13        | 13     |          |    |       |
| Post Trunk                       | 13          | 13        | 13      | 13          | 13        | 13     |          |    |       |
| R. Buttock                       | 2.5         | 2.5       | 2.5     | 2.5         | 2.5       | 2.5    |          |    |       |
| L. Buttock                       | 2.5         | 2.5       | 2.5     | 2.5         | 2.5       | 2.5    |          |    |       |
| Genitalia                        | 1           | 1         | 1       | 1           | 1         | 1      |          |    |       |
| R. U. Arm                        | 4           | 4         | 4       | 4           | 4         | 4      |          |    |       |
| L. U. Arm                        | 4           | 4         | 4       | 4           | 4         | 4      |          |    |       |
| L .L. Arm                        | 3           | 3         | 3       | 3           | 3         | 3      |          |    |       |
| R. L. Arm                        | 3           | 3         | 3       | 3           | 3         | 3      |          |    |       |
| R. Hand                          | 2.5         | 2.5       | 2.5     | 2.5         | 2.5       | 2.5    |          |    |       |
| L. Hand                          | 2.5         | 2.5       | 2.5     | 2.5         | 2.5       | 2.5    |          |    |       |
| R. Thigh                         | 5.5         | 6.5       | 8       | 8.5         | 9         | 9.5    |          |    |       |
| L. Thigh                         | 5.5         | 6.5       | 8       | 8.5         | 9         | 9.5    |          |    |       |
| R. Leg                           | 5           | 5         | 5.5     | 6           | 6.5       | 7      |          |    |       |
| L. Leg                           | 5           | 5         | 5.5     | 6           | 6.5       | 7      |          |    |       |
| R. Foot                          | 3.5         | 3.5       | 3.5     | 3.5         | 3.5       | 3.5    |          |    |       |
| L. Foot                          | 3.5         | 3.5       | 3.5     | 3.5         | 3.5       | 3.5    |          |    |       |
|                                  | Total sec   | ond degre | e%·     | + Total thi | rd degree | % = 1  | BSA burn | %  |       |

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

#### Calculation method for Total Body Surface Area (TBSA) \_\_\_\_\_\_

#### \_ Calculation method for Fluid Resuscitation \_\_\_\_\_

#### \_Nearest verified Burn Center \_\_\_\_\_

\*Graphic obtained from Via Christi Regional Burn Center, Wichita, Kansas

## **MV VS PEDESTRIAN**

| Goals/Objectives:<br>• Assess and secure airway<br>• Control bleeding<br>• Treatment of hypothermia<br>• Assess/stabilize trauma<br>• Treat pain<br>• Recognize transport necessity | <b>Dispatch Information:</b><br>Responding to a 4-year-old child hit by a car. Child's older sibling pulled victim to the side of road after he was hit, then ran to nearest house to call 911. Vehicle sped off after striking child, reportedly at high rate of speed. |   |
|---|--|---|
|   | Chief Complaint:<br>MVC; vehicle vs pedestrian   | Additional Resources Requested:<br>Police and Fire Department, ALS  |
| <ul> <li>Patient is sitting upright and loo</li> <li>Initial Impression: Patient is in r</li> </ul>   | d is located on curb across from a local neighbor<br>oks up as you approach. Patient's older sibling ar<br>egular street clothes noted to be sitting on curb,<br>ted to be bent at odd angle from thigh.   | d grandmother are with him  |
| Vital Sign – Set 1<br>AVPU: Alert   | Physical Exam  | <b>S/S:</b> Anxiety, tachycardic, pain; deformed L shoulder, L thigh  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 108/72<br><b>HR:</b> 112, regular   | <b>HEENT:</b><br>Head: Large Scrape to forehead, over left eye   | Allergies: NKDA   |
| Resp: 30, shallow   | Eyes: PEERL<br>Ears: Scrape to left ear  | Medications: Multivitamin, Zyrtec   |
| <b>O<sub>2</sub> Sat:</b> 96% (room air)<br><b>Pain:</b> 8 on faces scale   | Nose: Dried blood noted around/under<br>nostrils   | PmHx: None  |
| GCS: 15<br>Vital Sign – Set 2   | Oral Cavity: Patient says missing a tooth;<br>dried blood noted, no continued bleeding   | Last Meal: Eating snack 5 min before  |
| <b>AVPU:</b> Alert<br><b>B/P:</b> 112/74  | Patient able to clear and control own airway   | <b>Events Prior:</b> Patient was walking to park with sibling and grandmother                                   |
| HR: 116, regular  | Chest:   | when he ran to catch up with brother  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 30, nonlabored<br><b>D<sub>2</sub> Sat:</b> 96% (room air); 98%  | Equal chest rise and fall noted, clear lungs<br>Scrapes to left side of chest and left shoulder  | Grandmother reports the truck drive<br>was looking down and traveling very                                      |
| D2 applied)<br><b>ain:</b> 4(with analgesia); 10 (no<br>nalgesia)   | <b>Back:</b><br>Patient denies pain with palpation<br>Scrape seen to both sides, mid-back  | fast. Patient bounced away from truck<br>landed and laid still for a minute and<br>then started to cry and move |
| GCS: 15<br>BGL: 97 mg/dl  | Abdomen/Pelvis:  | Current on Immunizations? Yes Patient Weight: 18kgs   |
| Vital Sign – Set 3<br>AVPU: Alert   | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>Pelvis stable, but patient screams when<br>tested/palpated  | Notes:<br>Body Temp: 97.1   |
| <b>B/P:</b> 110/70  | Extremite  | FKG: Sinus Tachycardia  |

#### Extremity:

HR: 112, regular

(O<sub>2</sub> applied)

analgesia)

monitor airway

**GCS:** 15

**Resp:** 30, nonlabored

Suggested Treatment:

Splinting, protect c-spine,

**O<sub>2</sub> Sat:** 96% (room air); 98%

Pain: 5(with analgesia); 10 (no

PMS x 4 Left leg noted to be deformed at thigh Left clavicle noted to be deformed

Complains of left shoulder, right leg and right hip pain

**EKG: Sinus Tachycardia** 

pelvis is tested for stability

**Transport Consideration:** 

Securing patient properly on cot

Parent or guardian ride along

(she is an RN there)

Patient's mother will meet at hospital

Patient screams with movement and

splinting of extremities; also, when

Other: Skin: warm No step off's or tenderness noted to neck

## **MV VS PEDESTRIAN**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Completely removing patient from roadway
- Removing patient off hot asphalt or gravel/sand
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Modesty of the patient when removing clothing for assessment
- Keeping the patient warm and assessing for signs of shock
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- Pediatric Trauma Society: Clinical Resources
  - o http://pediatrictraumasociety.org/resources/clinical-resources.cgi
- Waddell's Triad of Trauma
  - http://www.emergencymedicalparamedic.com/what-is-waddell%E2%80%99s-triad-oftrauma/

#### Waddell's Triad

- Femur Fracture
- Intraabdominal or Intrathoracic injury
- Head Injury



#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\_Nearest trauma center (see page 60) \_\_\_\_\_

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## **ABDOMINAL INJURIES**

| Coole/Objectives  | Dispetal Information  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| Goals/Objectives:                                       | Dispatch Information:   |  |  |
| Assess and secure airway                                | You are dispatched to a local bike path. Caller states he and his friends were riding their |  |  |
| Recognition of secondary                                | bikes when their 10-year-old friend crashed into a tree. They are trying to get the patient |  |  |
| trauma and/or shock                                     | to the nearest roadway, but he is having a hard time walking because of the pain. The       |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Recognition of transport</li> </ul>            | patient's parents are out of town and told the kids to call an ambulance.                   |  |  |
| necessity   | Chief Complaint:  | Additional Resources Requested:            |  |
| O   | Trauma, Bicycle accident  | Police and Fire Department, ALS            |  |
| Scene Description:                                      |   |  |  |
|   | and sunny. Approximately 1530   |  |  |
|   | aving at you as you enter the park area. All are visu                                       |  |  |
|   | n the fetal position next to a mangled bicycle, dam   | naged helmet is also lying next to bicycle |  |
| <ul> <li>One boy is speaking with the</li> </ul>        | patient's parents on the phone  |  |  |
| Initial Impression: Multisyster                         | n trauma patient. Patient looks to have removed n   | nost of his protective clothing/gear       |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 1                                      | Physical Exam   | HPI: Group has been riding on the          |  |
| AVPU: Alert   | Flysical Exam   | paths since around 1000. All have on       |  |
|   | HEENT:  |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 118/60                                      | Head: No trauma noted, reports headache   | protective gear including helmets          |  |
| HR: 132, regular  | Eyes: PERL  | S/S: Abdominal pain, nausea,               |  |
| Resp: 26, nonlabored                                    | Ears: Unremarkable  | headache, blurred vision, dizzy            |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 97% (room air)                      | Nose: Unremarkable  | ·····, ····,                               |  |
| Pain: 8   | Oral Cavity: Unremarkable   | Allergies: Shell fish                      |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15 (4, 5, 6)                                | Patient able to clear and control own airway  | Madiantian                                 |  |
| BGL:  |   | Medications: None                          |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 2                                      | Chest:  | PmHx: None                                 |  |
| AVPU: Alert   | Equal chest rise and fall noted   | T IIIIX. NOTE                              |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 116/80                                      | Lung sounds clear   | Last Meal: Lunch around noon               |  |
| <b>HR:</b> 140, regular                                 | No external trauma noted  |  |  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 26, nonlabored                             | Back:   | Events Prior: Patient was going fast to    |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98% (O <sub>2</sub> ) | Unremarkable  | make a jump when his foot slipped, and     |  |
| Pain: 8   |   | he hit a tree with his front tire          |  |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15 (4, 5, 6)                               | Abdomen/Pelvis:   | Current on Immunizations? Yes              |  |
| <b>BGL:</b> 92 mg/dl (if assessed)                      | Guarding noted in all quadrants   | Current on minumizations: fes              |  |
|   | Circular mark noted in left upper quadrant  | Patient Weight: 46kgs                      |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 3                                      | Pelvis stable   | Notes:                                     |  |
| AVPU: Alert   |   | Body Temp: 99.2 F                          |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 120/80                                      | Extremity:  |  |  |
| <b>HR:</b> 134, regular                                 | Small scrapes noted to upper extremities  | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia                     |  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 24, nonlabored                             | PMS x 4   |  |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> Sat: 98% (O <sub>2</sub> )               | Other:  | Patient complains of increased nausea      |  |
| <b>Pain:</b> 8  | Skin: Pale, warm  | when he lays flat, wants to remain in      |  |
|   | No step off's or tenderness noted to neck   | fetal position                             |  |
| GCS: 15 (4, 5, 6)                                       |   | Patient comments multiple times that       |  |
| BGL:  | Patient has increased abdominal pain upon   | he is thirsty                              |  |
| Suggested Treatment:                                    | reassessment during transport   | Transport Consideration:                   |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, Pain                          |   | Securing patient properly on cot           |  |
| Management, C-spine                                     |   | second patient property on cot             |  |
|   |   |  |  |

## **ABDOMINAL INJURIES**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Is the incident described possible with injury patterns and/or evidence visualized on scene
- Are the handlebars bent on bicycle; damage to bike; damage to helmet
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Early and late signs of shock; internal blood loss
- Modesty of patient when removed clothing during assessment
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- Pediatric Trauma Society: Clinical Resources
  - o http://pediatrictraumasociety.org/resources/clinical-resources.cgi

Blunt abdominal trauma is the third most common cause of pediatric trauma-related deaths. The spleen and liver are the most frequently injured organs, followed by the kidney, small bowel, and pancreas.





#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\_Nearest trauma center (see page 60) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Graphic 1 obtained from sciencedirect.com \*Graphic 2 obtained from clincalgate.com

## **GUN SHOT WOUND**

| Goals/Objectives:   | Dispatch Information:  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Scene Safety</li> </ul>                                  | You have been dispatched to a farm home. Calle   | er advises that a 14-year-old male showed  |  |  |
| • Assess and secure airway  | up saying he and his friends were dove huntin  | up saying he and his friends were dove hunting when he felt a 'punch' in his chest and |  |  |
| • Recognition of entrance and                                     | immediately started having difficulty breathing. Patient has walked nearly ¼ mile to the |  |  |  |
| exit wounds, bleeding control                                     | farmer's home asking for help.   |  |  |  |
| Recognition of transport  | Chief Complaint:   | Additional Resources Requested:  |  |  |
| necessity   | Gun Shot Wound, Difficulty Breathing   | Police and Fire Department, ALS  |  |  |
| Scene Description:  |  |  |  |  |
| -   | 1300. Clear, sunny and 65 degrees F outside  |  |  |  |
|   | and patient sitting out front. Farmer advises he h                                       |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Patient appears restless and ir</li> </ul>               | nmediately starts walking towards the ambulance  |  |  |  |
| -   | rt is unbuttoned, and a small hole noted below th  | e sternum. A small amount of blood is  |  |  |
|   | n speak in full sentences and then gasps for air.  |  |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 1  | Physical Exam  | HPI:   |  |  |
| AVPU: Alert   | HEENT.   |  |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 130/70  | HEENT:   | S/S: Entrance wound noted about a  |  |  |
| HR: 142, regular  | Head: Unremarkable   | inch below the sternum. No exit woun   |  |  |
| Resp: 24, slightly labored  | Eyes: PERL   | found during assessment. Short of ai   |  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 96% (room air)                  | Ears: Unremarkable   | difficulty speaking  |  |  |
| Pain: 7   | Nose: Unremarkable   | Allergies: NKDA  |  |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15 (4, 5, 6)  | Oral Cavity: Unremarkable  |  |  |  |
| BGL:  | Patient able to clear and control own airway   | Medications: None  |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 2  | Chest:   |  |  |  |
| AVPU: Alert   | Equal chest rise and fall noted  | <b>PmHx:</b> Asthma as a child   |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 128/80  | Lung sounds clear  | Last Meal: Breakfast around 0800   |  |  |
| HR: 140, regular  | Wound noted just below sternum   | Last lical. Dieaklast alound 0000  |  |  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 24, nonlabored                                       |  | Events Prior: Dove hunting with sma  |  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98% (O <sub>2</sub> ) 95% (room | Back:  | group. Patient is unaware of who c   |  |  |
| air)  | Unremarkable   | how he was shot  |  |  |
| Pain: 7   | Abdomen/Pelvis:  |  |  |  |
| <b>GCS</b> : 15 (4, 5, 6)   |  | Current on Immunizations? Yes  |  |  |
| <b>BGL:</b> 102 mg/dl (if assessed)                               | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation<br>No trauma noted                             | Patient Weight: 46kgs  |  |  |
|   | Pelvis stable  |  |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 3  |  | Notes:   |  |  |
| AVPU: Alert   | Extremity:   | Body Temp: 99.0 F  |  |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 130/76  | No trauma noted to legs or arms  | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia   |  |  |
| HR: 136, regular  | PMS x 4  |  |  |  |
| Resp: 24 nonlabored   |  | Patient calms during transport and   |  |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98% (O <sub>2</sub> ) 94% (room | Other:   | once he finds a position of comfort,   |  |  |
| air)  | Skin: Pale, Warm, Moist  | can breathe much easier. Nervous   |  |  |
| Pain: 7   |  | about friends getting in trouble   |  |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 15 (4, 5, 6)  | No step off's or tenderness noted to neck  |  |  |  |
| BGL:  | <ul> <li>Patient states all his pain is in his thoracic</li> </ul>                       |  |  |  |
| Suggested Treatment:  | cavity (points to where the wound is located)  | Transport Consideration:   |  |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor,   | cavity (points to where the would is located)  | Securing patient properly on cot   |  |  |

## **GUN SHOT WOUND**

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

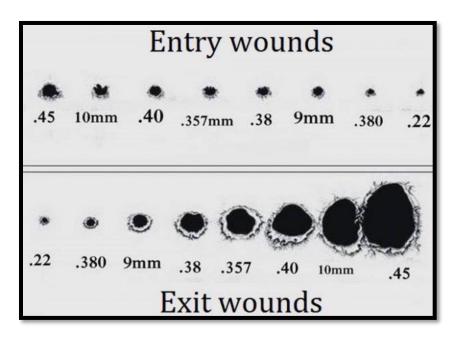
• Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Modesty of patient while removing clothing during assessment/examination
- Pattern of injury based on; Nonpenetrating, Penetrating, Perforating, Avulsive
- Pattern of injury based on weapon used; handgun vs rifle vs shotgun
- Keeping clothing intact for local police agency in case of crime scene investigation needs
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- Kansas Wildlife, Park and Tourism: Hunter Education
  - http://ksoutdoors.com/Services/Education/Hunter
- Stop the Bleed
  - https://www.bleedingcontrol.org/



#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

#### \_Nearest trauma center (see page 60) \_\_\_\_\_

\*Graphic obtained from texasguntalk.com

## HANGING

| Goals/Objectives:  | Dispatch Information:   |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| • Assess and secure airway                               | Dispatch is sending you to an unknown medica                                      | al call. Caller advised that she got into ar |  |
| • Cervical spine precautions                             | argument with her 14-year-old son and now he                                      | will not answer the phone. She last spoke    |  |
| • Recognition of hypoxic state                           | with him an hour ago. Patient has had increase                                    | ed stress and battled depression the last    |  |
| Recognition of transport                                 | years. Neighbors have been unable to contact the patient for the last 15 minutes. |  |  |
| necessity  | Chief Complaint:  |  |  |
| Πετεροιτά  | Suicide Attempt   | Police and Fire Department, ALS              |  |
| Scene Description:                                       |   |  |  |
| •  | ed. Police made access to the home and found pa                                   | atient hanging in garage                     |  |
|  | thick rope around his neck that they cut off                                      |  |  |
| • You note a small desk nearby a                         | and a knocked over chair that PD advises was that                                 | t way when they entered                      |  |
|  |   |  |  |
|  | ide attempt via hanging. Pill bottles are also pres                               |  |  |
|  | ient from a call a few weeks ago for a behavioral                                 |  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 1                                       | Physical Exam   | HPI: Patient was recently expelled           |  |
| AVPU: Unresponsive                                       | HEENT:  | from school following another fight          |  |
| B/P: Unable to obtain                                    | Head: Unremarkable  | S/S: Cyanosis to lips/face, pill bottles     |  |
| HR: 60, regular  | Eyes: Bulging and sluggish  | ,      |  |
| Resp: 8, labored and shallow                             | Ears: Unremarkable  | around patient's feet, markings to           |  |
| <b>O2 Sat:</b> 90% (room air)                            | Nose: Unremarkable  | patient's neck, vomit on shirt               |  |
| Pain:  | Oral Cavity: Tongue is swollen, jaw clamped                                       | Allergies: Depakote                          |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 3 (1, 1, 1)                                  | Patient is gasping for air  |  |  |
| BGL:   |   | Medications: Prozac, Lexapro, Ativan         |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 2                                       | Chest:  |  |  |
| •  | Equal chest rise and fall noted, shallow  | <b>PmHx:</b> Depression, suicide attempts; 2 |  |
| AVPU: Unresponsive                                       | Lung sounds clear   | last month                                   |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 72/50  | No external trauma noted  | Last Meal: Unknown                           |  |
| HR: 56, regular  |   |  |  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 8, labored and shallow                      | Back:   | Events Prior: Patient had a fight with       |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat</b> : 94% (O <sub>2</sub> ) | No external trauma noted  | his parents via telephone                    |  |
| Pain:  | Abdomen/Pelvis:   |  |  |
| <b>GCS</b> : 3 (1, 1, 1)                                 | No trauma noted   | Current on Immunizations? Unknown            |  |
| BGL: 64 mg/dl (if assessed)                              | Pelvis stable   | Patient Weight: 48kgs                        |  |
| Vital Cian Cat 2   |   | • •  |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 3                                       | Extremity:  | Notes:                                       |  |
| AVPU: Unresponsive                                       | No trauma noted to legs or arms   | Body Temp:                                   |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 70/50  | All extremities are flaccid   | ECG: Sinus Bradycardia                       |  |
| HR: 54, regular  |   |  |  |
| Resp: 8, labored and shallow                             | Other:  | Patient makes no purposefu                   |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat</b> : 94% (O <sub>2</sub> ) | Skin: Cool, Pale, Dry   | movements during transport. You are          |  |
| Pain:  | Marking around the neck line, red in color  | unable to 'unlock' jaw                       |  |
| <b>GCS</b> : 3 (1, 1, 1)                                 |   |  |  |
| BGL:   | Appears patient has vomited on self   |  |  |
| Suggested Treatment:                                     |   | Transport Consideration:                     |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, IV, Medications,               |   | Securing patient properly on cot             |  |
| Airway Management, Suction                               |   |  |  |

## HANGING

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

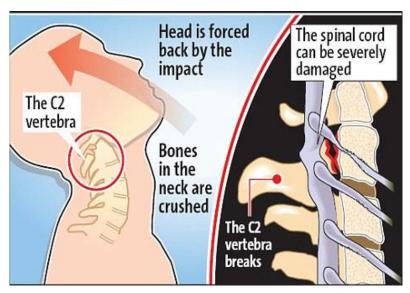
- Any note or messages left by patient
- Family centered care

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

- Modesty of patient
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

#### Additional Educational Resources to Consider:

- Local treatment facility, Counseling Center and/or Mental Health Center
- American Academy of Pediatrics: Healthy Children
  - https://www.healthychildren.org/English/news/Pages/Youths-Treated-for-Nonsuicidal-Self-Harm-at-Increased-Risk-of-Suicide-Within-a-Year.aspx



#### \*HANGMAN'S FRACTURE

#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:

\*Graphic obtained from Daily Mail

## COMMUNICATION SCENARIO



## LANGUAGE BARRIER

| Goals/Objectives:   | Dispatch Information:   |   |  |
|---|---|---|--|
| • Communicating with patients   | •   |   |  |
| of diverse cultures   | You are dispatched to a local apartment complex. Dispatch advises that they do not know   |   |  |
|   | what is going on as there is a language barrier. Crying is heard in the background and al |   |  |
| • Communicating with patients   | the information you have is a 'child needs help   |   |  |
| that are non-verbal   |   | Additional Deserves a Deserve dad         |  |
| • Communicating with patients   | Chief Complaint:  | Additional Resources Requested:           |  |
| that have special needs   | Unknown call for EMS  | Police and Fire Department, ALS           |  |
| Scene Description:  |   |   |  |
| • Arrive at address and notice a g                                    | gentleman waving at you from the porch  |   |  |
| • PD has cleared the scene and a                                      | dvised there is a young male patient unresponsiv  | ve on the floor                           |  |
|   | ople gathered in the living room around the you   |   |  |
|   | hands you an unopened bottle of Dilantin  | 5   |  |
| Initial Impression: No one can a                                      | vive you any further information. You ask dispat  | ch if there is a way to get in touch with |  |
| local translator. Male on scene k                                     |   |   |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 1  | Physical Exam   | HPI:                                      |  |
| AVPU: Unresponsive  |   |   |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 100/72  | HEENT:  | S/S: Vomit noted on ground and dr         |  |
| HR: 124, regular  | Head: Unremarkable  | blood noted around the lips               |  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 28, nonlabored   | Eyes: Sluggish  | Allergies Halas                           |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 96% (room air)                      | Ears: Unremarkable  | Allergies: Unknown                        |  |
| Pain:   | Nose: Unremarkable  | Medications: Unknown other than the       |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 3 (1, 1, 1)   | Oral Cavity: Blood noted. Tongue looks to   | prescribed Dilantin                       |  |
| BGL:  | have been bitten  | presended Diantin                         |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 2  | Patient able to clear and control own airway  | PmHx: Unknown                             |  |
| AVPU: Painful   | Chest:  |   |  |
|   |   | Last Meal: Unknown                        |  |
| B/P: 102/80   | Equal chest rise and fall noted   | Evente Brien Halan                        |  |
| HR: 120, regular  | Lung sounds clear   | Events Prior: Unknown                     |  |
| Resp: 26, nonlabored  | No external trauma noted  | Current on Immunizations?                 |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 94% room air (98% if O <sub>2</sub> | Back:   | Current on minumizations :                |  |
| applied)  | No external trauma noted  | Patient Weight: Estimate of 22kgs         |  |
| Pain:   |   | <b>v</b>                                  |  |
| GCS: 7 (1,2,4)  | Abdomen/Pelvis:   |   |  |
| BGL: 84mg/dl (if assessed)  | No guarding noted upon quadrant palpation   |   |  |
| Vital Sign – Set 3  | No trauma noted   | Notes:                                    |  |
| <b>AVPU:</b> Verbal, Inappropriate                                    | Pelvis stable   | Body Temp: 99.2F                          |  |
| <b>B/P:</b> 106/84  |   | .,  |  |
| <b>HR:</b> 122, regular   | Extremity:  | ECG: Sinus Tachycardia                    |  |
| <b>Resp:</b> 22, nonlabored   | No trauma noted to legs or arms   |   |  |
| <b>O</b> <sub>2</sub> <b>Sat:</b> 98% on O2                           |   | Patient begins to moan durin              |  |
| -   | Other:  | transport. Patient remains sleep          |  |
|   | Skin: Pale, warm with tenting noted   | during transport.                         |  |
| <b>GCS:</b> 10 (2, 3, 5) <b>BGL:</b>                                  | No step off's or tenderness noted to neck   |   |  |
| Suggested Treatment:  | Pupils both return to PERL during transport   | Transport Consideration:                  |  |
| O <sub>2</sub> , Monitor, IV access, Fluids                           |   | Securing patient properly on cot          |  |
| for dehydration   |   |   |  |
|   |   |   |  |

## LANGUAGE BARRIER

#### Additional Things to Consider about the Scene:

- Ask anyone, including younger children, if they can speak English
- Use any communication tool available to you to communicate with family
- Family centered care, as much as possible

#### Additional Things to Consider during Treatment/Transport:

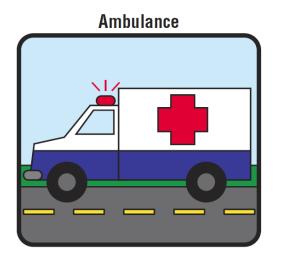
- Ask for any doctor notes or hospital paperwork
- Demonstrate, as much as possible, what you will be doing prior to any intervention
- Make contact with the physician's office that is noted on prescription bottle
- Alert receiving facility early for the need of an interpreter
- Keep back of ambulance lighting/temperature appropriate for patient comfort, low stimulation
- Transport to the nearest appropriate facility

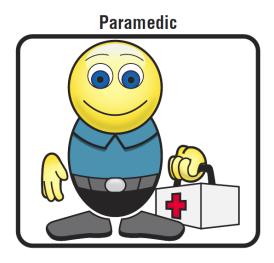
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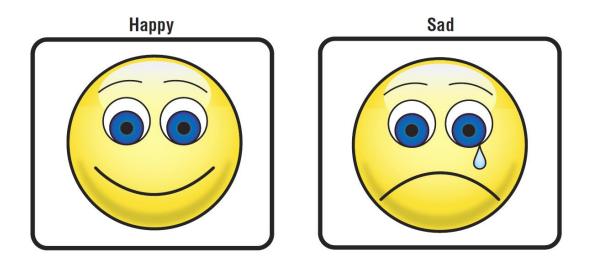
- Kansas EMSC EMS Communication Cards (see pages 64-68)
- Cross-Cultural Communication for EMS
  - o https://ambulance.org/2015/06/25/cross-cultural-communication-for-ems/
- Translation apps for smart devices
- Language Lines with 24-hour access

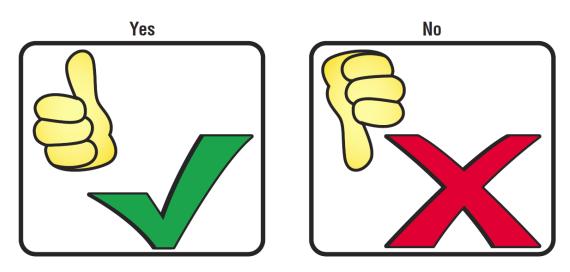


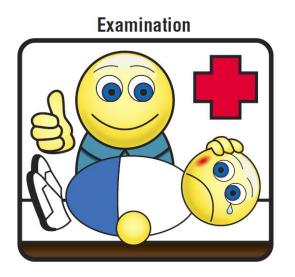
#### Things to consider based on your EMS protocols, procedures and/or policies:



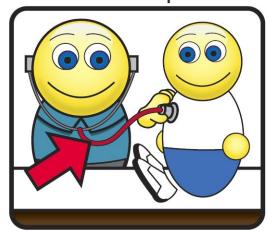






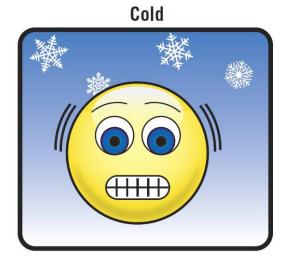


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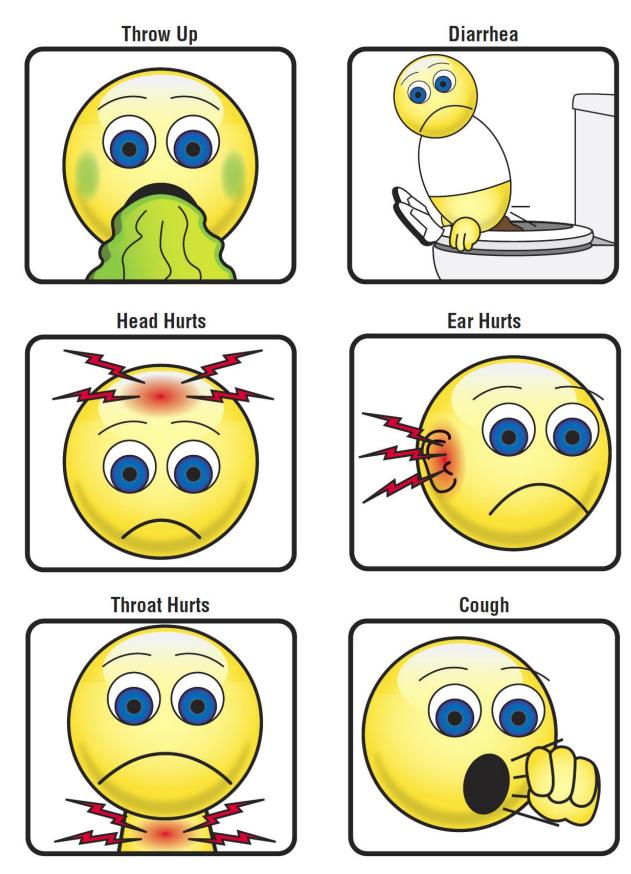


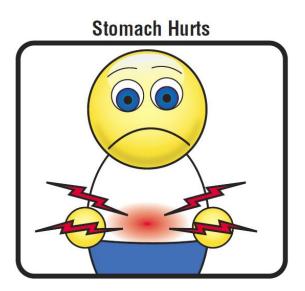




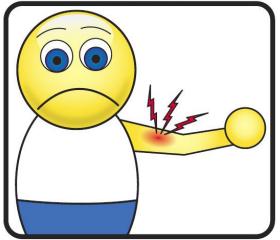




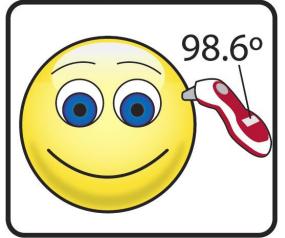




Arm Hurts

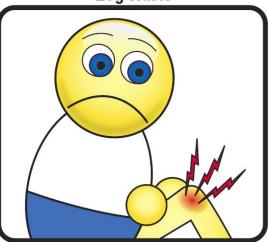


Thermometer

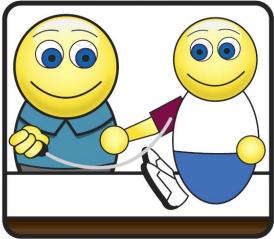


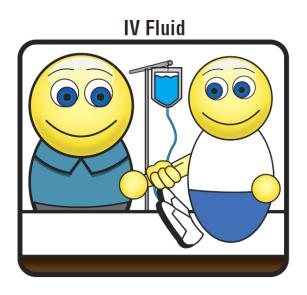


Leg Hurts



**Blood Pressure** 

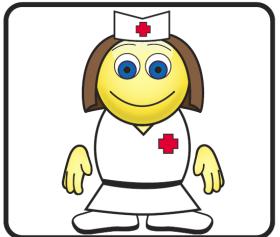


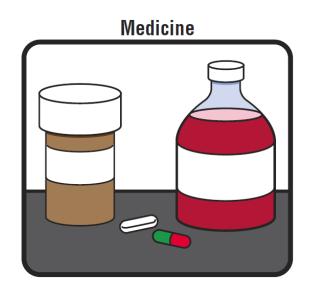




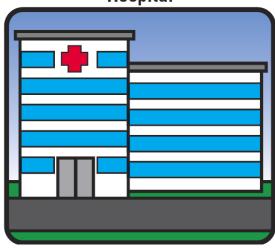




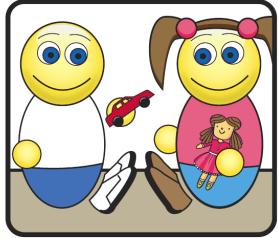




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**All Better** 



# PEDIATRIC SAFE TRANSPORT



\*\* Devices shown in this section are *not* being endorsed and are only used for visual/training purposes. Please follow your local EMS services' transport policies and guidelines. \*\*



#### Safe Transport of Children by EMS: Interim Guidance March 8, 2017

Establishing guidelines for safely transporting children in ambulances has been an endeavor undertaken by various individuals and organizations in recent years. Despite these efforts, this multi-faceted problem has not been easy to solve. While there have been resources developed, such as the *Working Group Best-Practice Recommendations for the Safe Transportation of Children in Emergency Ground Ambulances* (NHTSA 2012), there remain unanswered questions, primarily due to the lack of ambulance crash testing research specific to children.

The National Association of EMS State Officials (NASEMSO) is committed to advocating for the creation of evidence-based standards for safely transporting children by ambulance. Such standards would ensure a safer environment for the patients who rely on the EMS provider to act on their behalf. Developing standards will require large investments of both time and funding to conduct the required crash testing. If research were started today, it would require at least three years and hundreds of thousands of dollars to complete.

While NASEMSO collaborates with other organizations to bring these standards to reality, it recognizes the gap between that goal and the reality of the decisions that EMS providers face today will continue to be an issue of concern. The purpose of this interim guidance is to reduce that gap as much and as soon as possible, until evidence can be collected, analyzed, and used to develop standards specifically for children. Ultimately, pediatric restraint devices should be tested by the manufacturer to meet a new, yet-to-be developed standard.

NASEMSO recommends that this new standard include a pass/fail injury criteria comparable to that identified in FMVSS-213, which applies to child restraints in passenger vehicles. All testing should use the ambulance-specific crash pulses described in SAE J3044, SAE J2956, and SAE J2917 respectively. Litters used in testing should meet the SAE J3027 Integrity, Retention and Patient Restraint Specifications. Manufacturers should indicate to prospective purchasers whether their device(s) have met these requirements for the weight range indicated for the device.

It is the position of NASEMSO that:

- 1) Evidence-based standards for safely transporting children in ambulances should be developed and published by nationally recognized standards development organizations, such as the Society for Automotive Engineers (SAE);
- Safe ambulance transport should be considered as a standard of care for the EMS system equivalent to maintaining an open airway, adequate ventilation and the maintenance of cardiovascular circulation; and
- 3) There are immediate actions that can be taken to improve pediatric safety in ambulances including, but not limited to:
  - a. All EMS agencies that transport children should develop specific policies and procedures that address, at minimum the following elements:
    - i. Methods, training (initial and continual), and equipment to secure children during transport in a way that reduces both forward motion and possible ejection. The primary focus should be to secure the torso, and provide support for the head, neck, and spine of the child, as indicated by the patient's condition;1

- ii. Considerations for the varied situations that a child who needs transport to a hospital or other point of care may present to the EMS professional. These include, but may not be limited to a child who is:
  - uninjured/not ill,
  - ill/injured, but requiring no intensive interventions or monitoring,
  - requiring intensive interventions or monitoring,
  - requiring spinal immobilization or supine transport, and
  - multiple patients;2
- iii. Prohibits children from being transported unrestrained, e.g. held in arms or lap;3
- iv. Provision for securing all equipment during a transport where a child is an occupant of the vehicle, with mounting systems tested in accordance with the requirements of SAE J3043;
- v. Only use child restraint devices in the position for which they are designed and tested; and
- EMS agencies should have appropriately-sized child restraint system(s) readily available on all ambulances that may transport children. Additionally, personnel should be initially and recurrently evaluated and trained on the correct use of those restraint systems;
  - i. The device(s) should cover, at minimum, a weight range of between five (5) and 99 pounds (2.3 45 kg), ideally supporting the safest transport possible for all persons of any age or size;
  - ii. Only the manufacturer's recommendations for the weight/size of the patient should be considered when selecting the appropriate device for the specific child being transported; and
- c. State EMS officials should act to put interim steps in place while evidence-based standards are developed and implemented, including, but not limited to:
  - i. Encourage and support EMS transport agencies to implement cost effective solutions to mitigate risk while transporting children in ambulances; and
  - ii. Work with other state EMS officials to create uniform approaches and policy language, including, but not limited to a network of information relating to ambulance crash-related injuries; and
- 4) NASEMSO does not recommend or endorse any particular product.

1 Working Group Best-Practice Recommendations for the Safe Transport of Children in Emergency Ground Ambulances, page 12.

2 Ibid, pages 12-15.

3 The Do's and Don'ts of Transporting Children in an Ambulance (December 1999).

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## SITUATION 1 UNINJURED/NOT ILL

#### **Possible Scenario:**

You are called to a low speed, minor vehicle crash. A female patient wishes to go to the hospital via EMS yet has a small child that was also in the car with her. This child is uninjured and is not considered a patient per your policy or protocol. The child's car seat is not damaged and is deemed safe to use per NHTSA guidelines (listed below). The safest way for the child to be transported to the same facility as the patient would be (in order of preference):

#### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Car Seat Safety Studies

NHTSA cites several international studies which showed that after minor vehicle crash tests, even when there is visible stress to the child restraint, the restraint still performed well in subsequent crash tests. NHTSA's policy on replacing child restraints after minor vehicle crashes to the following:

- NHTSA recommends that child safety seats and boosters be replaced following a moderate or severe crash in order to ensure a continued high level of crash protection for child passengers.
- NHTSA recommends that child safety seats do not automatically need to be replaced following a minor crash.

MINOR CRASHES ARE THOSE THAT MEET **ALL** OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- The vehicle was able to be driven away from the crash site;
- The vehicle door nearest the safety seat was undamaged;
- There were no injuries to any of the vehicle occupants;
- The air bags (if present) did not deploy; AND
- There is no visible damage to the safety seat

1. The first and most ideal option would be that the child goes in another vehicle and car seat is properly installed in the backseat per the vehicle owner's manual.

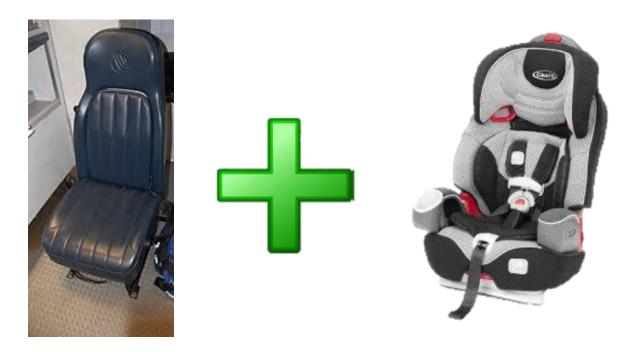


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2. The second option would be to place the child in the front passenger seat of the ambulance, <u>ONLY</u> if the airbags can be turned off and the car seat can be installed in the forward-facing position.



3. The last option would be that the child's car seat is installed in the captain's chair of the patient treatment area of the ambulance. A rear-only facing car seat <u>CANNOT</u> be used in this position. Please ensure that all items are safely secured in the patient compartment area.



## SITUATION 2 ILL/INJURED; REQUIRING NO INTENSIVE INTERVENTIONS/MONITORING

#### Possible Scenario:

You are called to a home for a child that is not feeling well. The guardian states that they cannot get into their primary pediatrician's office today and she is without a vehicle. Guardian would like the child transported to the nearest hospital. The patient's vital signs are stable, and you see no life-threatening conditions at this time.

#### Options listed in no particular order for situation 2;

Car seat CAN be used on cot when it is a:

- Convertible car seat 5-40lbs
  - Install facing the rear of the ambulance
  - Head of cot elevated
  - Cot straps through rear-facing and forward-facing belt paths

#### Rear-facing only seats **CANNOT** be used



- Dream Ride Car Bed
  - Infants 5-20lbs, who cannot tolerate semi-upright seated position or who must lay flat
  - Requires an extra set of belt loops
  - o Install perpendicular to the cot
  - Cot straps through loops on both sides of the car bed



## SITUATION 2 ILL/INJURED; REQUIRING NO INTENSIVE INTERVENTIONS/MONITORING



#### Ferno Pedi-Mate

- o 10-40lb (4.5-18kg)
- Five-point harness system
- Fernoems.com



#### Ferno Pedi-Mate Plus

- o 10-100lb patient (4.5-45.3kg)
- Five-point harness system
- Fernoems.com



#### Quantum ACR4 (Ambulance Child Restraint)

- 4-99lb patient (1.8-45kg)
- $\circ$  4 color-coded size selections
- o Quantum-ems.com



#### **Integrated Child Seats**

• Varies by manufacturer

## SITUATION 3 ILL/INJURED; REQUIRING INTENSIVE INTERVENTIONS/MONITORING

#### **Possible Scenario:**

You are called to a home for a child that is having difficulty breathing. Patient has a history of asthma and has already taken two breathing treatments at home. Guardian would like the child transported to the nearest hospital. The patient needs continuous breathing treatments, cardiac monitoring and intravenous access for possible medication administration.

Keep in mind that during transport, you will want full access to your patient for interventions and ability to listen to lung sounds. Patient transport on the cot is vital for appropriate patient care to be delivered and monitored. Also consider that this patient may not be able to lay flat during transport.

#### Options listed in no particular order for situation 3;

Car seat CAN be used on cot when it is a:

- Convertible car seat 5-40lbs
  - Install facing the rear of the ambulance
  - Head of cot elevated
  - Cot straps through rear-facing and forward-facing belt paths

Rear-facing only seats <u>CANNOT</u> be used



## SITUATION 3 ILL/INJURED; REQUIRING INTENSIVE INTERVENTIONS/MONITORING



#### Ferno Neomate

- o 7-14lb (3.2-6.4kg)
- Five-point harness system
- Fernoems.com



#### Ferno Pedi-Mate

- o 10-40lb (4.5-18kg)
- Five-point harness system
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### SITUATION 4 SPINAL IMMOBILIZATION OR SUPINE TRANSPORT

#### **Possible Scenario:**

You are called to a local playground for a child that has fallen off the 8-foot-tall monkey bars. Patient is complaining of neck and lower back pain. Guardian on scene advises that patient has not moved his legs since the fall. No one has moved the patient and followed all directions given by dispatch for keeping the patients head and neck still. Guardian would like the child transported to the nearest trauma facility for evaluation.

Keep in mind that during transport, you will want full access to your patient for interventions. Patient transport on the cot is vital for appropriate patient care to be delivered and monitored.

Recent studies and literature have prehospital care providers transitioning from fully immobilizing and/or transporting patients on long spine boards. Please follow our local medical director's orders when it comes to immobilizing and transporting suspected trauma patients.



#### Life Support Products Infant/Pediatric Immobilization Board

- Infant to approx. 75lbs (up to 34kg)
- MRI Compatible and X-ray Translucent
- o Alliedhpi.com



#### PEDI - SPIDER straps

- Poly-Pro webbing used rated at 800lbs
- Can be used with most long spine boards
- o Resistant to mold, mildew, acids and alkalis

## SITUATION 5 MULITPLE PATIENTS

#### Possible Scenario:

You are called to a home for a woman in labor. The patient says she feels the 'urge to push.' Within ten minutes of being on scene, you deliver a baby boy. Mother, patient 1, is bleeding profusely and signs of shock are noted. Baby boy, patient 2, has an APGAR of 7 at one minute and 8 at 5 minutes. Meconium is present during assessment. Both patients need to be transported to the nearest facility.

Patient 1 will need to be transported on a cot. She is needing interventions and continuous monitoring. Patient 2 will need to be transported on a cot in an appropriate child restraint system. Patient two will also need continuous monitoring and possible airway interventions, i.e. suctioning.

A child passenger, especially a newborn, must <u>**NEVER**</u> be transported on an adult's lap nor should <u>**ANYONE**</u> hold a newborn during transport.

Please keep in mind the number of appropriate pediatric transport devices that are available to you as the provider. In situations of multiple births or multiple pediatric patients needing transported at one time, resources will need to be considered early in the call. All pediatric patients need to be transported in an appropriate and safe manner.

The University of New Mexico EMSC Program has two online training modules titled "Safe Transport of Children In EMS Vehicles." Taking the extra time to ensure safe transport is not only looking out for the patient's safety, but also yours! The two online modules can be found at: <u>https://emed.unm.edu/pem/programs/ems-for-children-emsc/emsc-online-course-directory.html</u>



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