

CARONDELET, AVFD, and TPDF BLS TRANSPORT ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINE

INCLUSION

An evaluating EMS provider believes a patient may be appropriate for BLS Transport

Initial Orders:

- Perform patient assessment
- Obtain a complete set of vital signs (FSBS, Temp, ECG and 12 lead if indicated)

EXCLUSION

Physiologic Criteria

- GCS < 14 OR patient NOT at baseline mental status
 - Less than 5 on the cognitive screen OR patient not at their baseline mental status
- Respiratory Rate outside of normal ranges below:
- o Adult 12-25 with normal work of breathing
 - o Peds 25-35 with normal work of breathing
- Oxygen Saturation
- o Less than 94% with a maximum of 6L supplemental oxygen by nasal cannula
- Heart Rate outside of normal ranges below:
- o Adult: 60-130
 - o Peds: 80-160
- Blood Pressure outside of normal ranges below:
- o Adult: 90-180 systolic / 60-110 diastolic
 - o Peds: systolic 70 + (age x 2)
- Glucose
- o Adult: < 70 or 250 or greater
 - o Peds < 40 or 250 or greater

High Risk for ongoing ALS Interventions or monitoring

- Chest Pain meeting Chest Pain AG Criteria
- Electrocutation
- Foreign body aspiration
- Symptomatic overdose or poisoning
- Pregnancy with imminent delivery
- Seizures*
- Drowning
- Syncope
- Traumatic injury meeting SAEMS Anatomic or Physiologic Trauma Triage Criteria
- Patient meets any ALS treatment criteria
- Patient has received prehospital medication treatment including those approved by EMT-Bs
- EMS provider concern for serious illness/injury that might require ALS care

Patient Excluded

Initiate ALS Transport using the AGO most appropriate for the patient's clinical presentation
OR
Contact online medical direction authority

Patient Included

ORDERS

Patient may be downgraded to BLS care and transported by a BLS crew following the AG most appropriate for the patient's clinical presentation

Special Notes

* Patients with a single seizure AND history of a seizure disorder who have returned to baseline may be transported by BLS providers.

* Children who have had a single seizure AND are between the age of 6 months & 5 years old, AND have a fever at the time of EMS provider evaluation who have returned to their baseline mental status may be transported by BLS providers.

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