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About the ED

### Online Resources

- tamingtheSRU.com UCEM Blog, Procedural Video, UCMC CEC Protocols & Common Forms
- mrc.pemcincinnati.com CCHMC EBM Clinical Pathways
- qgenda.com Call Schedules & Text Paging

## **Mobile Apps**

1 Minute Ultrasound

UpToDate

**Epocrates** 

MicroMedex

Read by QXMD

Calculate by QXMD

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Canopy Speak

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Good Rx

PediSafe

PediSTAT 10 Second EM

Haiku

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MedHub

## FOAMed/Blogs

aliem.com

emergencymedicinecases.com

emcrit.org

emlyceum.com

lifeinthefastlane.com

rebelem.com

thennt.com

coreem.net

umem.org/educational\_pearls/

## **Podcasts**

**EM Basic** 

**EMRAP** 

**EMCrit** 

PEM Currents

Ultrasound Podcast

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## **B-Pod Tips**

- Communication is key. Keep your R4 (AND NURSES) in the loop as much as possible.
- Make every attempt at meeting the squads by the room in order to get verbal report when they drop off patients. This will help reduce redundancy, enable you to ask any questions to the paramedics and goes a long way in our continued working relationship with EMS providers.
- In general, seeing and stabilizing sick/unstable patients come first, then 'dispo-ing' patients (Admits vs Discharges), then working up and evaluating new/stable patients.
- Chart as you go -- i.e. HPI and Exam sections immediately after you see the patient; ED course/MDM when you disposition.
   Building good habits early on will greatly benefit you in later years when your patient volume increases.
- Get burdensome/rate limiting diagnostic steps and procedures out of the way as early/efficiently as possible -- i.e. pelvics, rectals, ultrasounds, LPs, obtaining urine.
- Managing patient expectations is crucial. Try to give them an idea of your plan and the steps to be completed before you leave the room.



## **DOCUMENTING**

## • History of Present Illness (HPI)

Level 1-3: 1 Reg, Level 4-5: 4 Reg

- 1. Location (where on the body)
- 2. Duration (when did patient notice the symptoms)
- 3. Quality (sharp, stabbing)
- 4. Severity (4/10, severe, agonizing)
- 5. Context (what was patient doing when symptoms began)
- 6. Timing (after meals, before bed, every 10 mins)
- 7. Modifying factors (feels better with ice, better with rest, Motrin did not help)
- 8. Associated signs and symptoms

## • Physical Exam (PE)

Level 1: 1, Level 2-3: 2-4, Level 4: 5-7, Level 5: 8+

- 1. Head, including face 1. Constitutional
  - 2. Eyes
- 2. Neck 3. Chest, including
- 3. Ears, nose, mouth & throat
- breast & axillae
- Cardiovascular
   Respiratory
- 4. Abdomen5. Genitalia, groin, buttocks
- 6. Gastrointestinal 7. Genitourinary
- 6. Back, including spine
- 8. Musculoskeletal 9 Skin
- 7. Each extremity
- 10. Neurological
- 11. Psychiatric
- 12. Hematologic/lymphatic/immunologic

## • Medical Decision Making (MDM)

This is not as straight forward. MDM is determined by your differential diagnosis/management options; amount and complexity of data; risk of complications, morbidity and mortality. Length does not necessarily equate to thoroughness.

## GENERAL SMARTPHRASES

Insert smartblocks (click through menus) or pre-made text into your note templates, some examples:

#### .edphysicalexambyage

Smartblock physical exam

#### .procdoc

Smartblock for common procedures

#### t+90

Shortcut to order a test 90 minutes from now

#### .futureappointments

Inserts a list of patient appointments

### .eddccommclinic

.eddcdental

Inserts a list of community medical or dental clinics

#### .edhealthliteracy

Inserts a template for discharge instructions

#### .edhomelessmen

.edhomelesswomen
Inserts a list of shelters

#### edtransportation.

Inserts transport help

#### .bleach

Inserts bleach bath instructions

#### .eddcneedleexchange

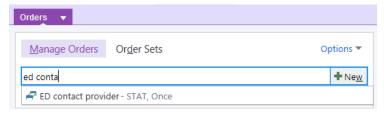
Inserts needle exchange location lists for known/suspected IVDU

#### .dcincidentalfinding

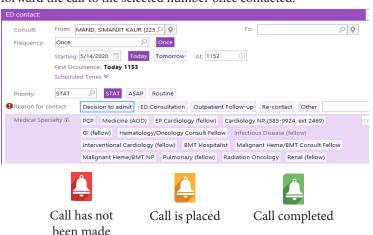
Inserts a template for you to insert incidental findings and recommended follow up time frame

## **Contacting a Consultant**

Once the decision has been made to consult a specialty service, place an "ED Contact Provider" order in the patient's Epic Order Manager, as shown below



Fill in the required features of the order, select your call back number, and sign the order. The HUCs will call the consultant and forward the call to the selected number once contacted.



HUCs can also help get you records from OSH, just ask them nicely!

## **Talking to Consultants**

Identify yourself and your reason for calling (ie "patient for you to see" or "patient needing follow-up"), name of the patient, MRN and location in the ED then briefly present needed info and specific question you need answered.

Speciality	Specific Details
Cardiology	Previous h/o CAD, previous interventions, most recent cath results, most recent ECHO results and EKG findings today
Gyn/OB	Gs & Ps (TPAL), LMP, Upreg, Rh status, pelvic findings
Infectious Disease	HIV: most recent CD4 count, med regimen, AIDS defining illness or not?
Oncology	Type/stage of disease, primary oncologist, date of most recent chemotherapy treatment
Ophthalomology	Visual acuity, pupil exam, IOP (if applies), contacts or not
NSGY	Anticoagulants (including ASA), INR, GCS, mechanism
Neurology	Stroke: last known normal, anticoagulants, INR, NIH stroke scale Epilepsy: primary epileptologist, home antiepileptic meds, type of seizure, length of seizure, benzos given?
Orthopedics	Injury, mechanism, X-rays of injury and the joint above and below the injury, neurovascular status, open or closed
Acute Care Surgery	Abdominal exam findings, imaging performed, WBC count, prior surgeries, anticoagulants

**Surgical Consultant Logistics** 

Surgical Specialty

Gynecologic

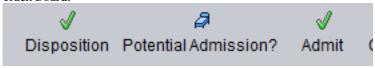
Services



Speciality	Consult this team for:
Acute Care Surgery (Heuer)	ED consultation of new surgical emergencies, established ACS pts
Surgical Onc (Reid)	Established pts of Dr. Ahmad, Dr. Sussman & other SurgOnc attendings
Colorectal (Altemeier)	Established pts of Colorectal attendings
Burns	New burns, established pts, SJS
Spine [Ortho/Nsgy]	Spinal fx, spinal masses, discitis, etc
Hand [Ortho/Plastics]	Bony injury distal to and involving the wrist, Soft tissue injury distal to the elbow
Face [ENT/Plastics/OMFS]	Bony & soft tissue injury to the face
Gynecology	Rule out ectopic, torsion, TOA
Thoracic	Spontaneous PTX, esophageal rupture, established pts
Cardiac Surgery	Type A dissections, acute valvular emergencies
ENT	Temporal bone fx, soft tissue neck infections, airway masses/obstruction, established pt
Vascular	Arterial thrombus, ischemic limb, type B dissections, AAA, established pt
Plastics	Complicated soft tissue injuries or infections
Oromaxillofacial (OMFS)	Dental trauma, odontogenic infections
Trauma	See pg. 58
Transplant	All post-operative transplant complications <1 yr (transplant medicine in 'other' if > 1 yr)

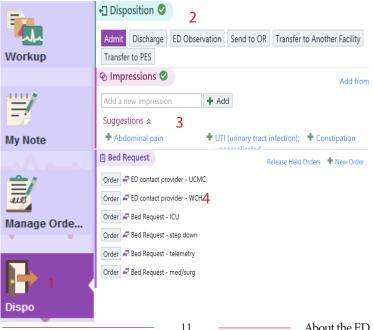
## Admitting a Patient

Potential Admits: When you've identified a potential admission, it is helpful if you click the potential admission button found on the Track Board.

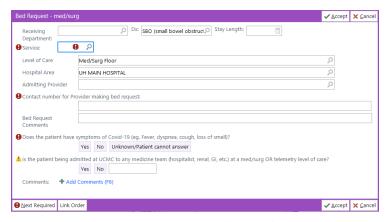


**Epic Admission Logistics:** 

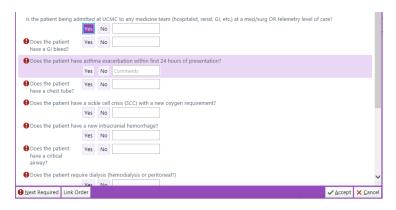
- 1) Click the 'Dispo' tab in the patients chart:
- 2) Select "Disposition" option
- 3) 'Impression' requires a diagnosis
- 4) 'Bed Request' order needs to be placed and signed (see next page)



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1) If the patient is to be admitted to a medicine floor, the "yes" button will open up a list of criteria to assess whether the patient will be appropriate to transport to Ridgeway for admission.



- 2) If any of these questions are answered with a "no," this will provide a notification to the BedBoard team that the patient is an inappropriate Ridgeway admission.
- 3) Please ask your R4 if you are unsure if the patient meets Ridgeway criteria.

## Bed Request for a Medicine\*\* Admission:

- A) Service: Team you are admitting to
- B) Decide on level of care (ICU, step-down, med/surg floor)
- C) Can leave attending blank (bed board will assign)
- D) Place your call back number here, the admitting team will call for report via Bed Board
- E) Dx will autopopulate from "Impressions"
- \*\*Also applies to admissions to Cardiology, Renal, and GI To Admit to Heme/Onc (solid tumor, sickle cell, hemophilia, VWD)
- ED Contact Order: Heme/Onc Fellow to approve admission to their service. Then same bed request process as Medicine, with Heme/Onc as your admitting service.

## To Admit to BMT/Malignant Heme (leukemia, lymphoma, MM)

- ED Consult Order to consult the service
  - M-F 8a-5p: BMT NP
  - Weekend 8a-5p: BMT Fellow
  - Everyday 5p-8p: Oncology Fellow
  - Everyday 8p-8a: BMT Hospitalist
- After they have spoken with you and determined they will admit the patient you can admit as previously described with 'Bed Request' order

#### To Admit to Surgical Services & ICUs

- ED Consult/Contact Order to consult the service
- After they have evaluated the patient and want to admit them, you MUST get the name of the accepting attending.
  - These residents are busy and often forget to let you know the name, so ask them while on the phone or when they are in the ED.
- ICU severvices will often accept after hearing the story from you and not necessarily come to ED to evaluate patient
- Now you can admit as previously described with 'Bed Request' order, after listing the attending
- Involve the Psych SW ASAP to expedite this process.

## Transfer to PES (Ridgeway)

- If patient has a psych hold already signed by police or EMS, then they are required to be transferred to PES or be cleared by a psychiatrist (by the video robot). Let the Psych SW know about them upon arrival so they can determine which option is best.
- If no hold has been signed, discuss signing a hold on the patient with the Psych Social Worker and your R4. If they are a flight risk and you know they are suicidal or homicidal, sign it early.
- If the psych social worker determines they should be transferred to PES, they will help arrange for transport.
- PES cannot accept the patient until there has been 'Doc-to-Doc' sign-out 584-PSYC. Make sure to get the last name of the Psych resident or attending to whom you give 'Doc-to-Doc' report, then tell your nurse to do a 'Nurse-to-Nurse', then let Psych SW know the patient is ready for transport.
- Complete the 'EMTALA Transfer Documentation' form within the 'Dispo' tab after selecting "Transfer to PES" for the 'Disposition.'
- Provides 8-23 hour observation by ED attending and APP coverage

## **AMA Criteria**

If a patient wishes to sign-out Against Medical Advice (AMA), both your attending and R4 should know about this and be involved in the decision making process. Make sure to evaluate for, inform the patient about and then document the followinwg:

- 1. Does this patient have Capacity? Do they have a sound mind? Can they articulate a plan back to you? Can they explain what might happen without treatment and are they consistent in their thought process?
- 2. Explain what the proposed plan was and what alternatives you

#### can offer.

- 3. Address why the patient wants to leave, attempt to fix any reversable processes-- pain, misconception of plan or diagnosis, etc.
- 4. Explain all the risks of leaving AMA, more than just "death." Be specific!
- 5. Attempt to provide the best and safest treatment plan the patient will allow. Give them follow-up and whatever prescriptions are needed to treat the disease process.
- 6. Give the patient signs/symptoms of worsening disease and reasons they should return. Tell them they can return to the hospital at any time.
- 7. DOCUMENT this discussion.

## Non-urgent outpatient follow-up/PCP referrals

- 1) During Business Hours (9am-5pm M-F):
- Call Michelle Long or Chelsea Hamilton.
- They can be reached at 584-7758.
- They can get non-urgent PCP follow-up or help non-insured patients establish PCPs.
- 2) After Hours:
- After selecting 'discharge' in 'Dispo' tab, select 'Community Health Work' referral
- Send inbox message with pt's diagnosis, when they should be seen. Verify numbers with the patient. The social workers will set your patient up with a PMD as an outpatient and call them to inform them of their appointment.



## ED Observation (ED Obs) / Clinical Decision Unit (CDU)

• To admit to CDU, discuss patient's care with your R4 first as to whether the patient is appropriate for CDU (protocols on www.tamingthesru.com)

- Asthma/COPD
 - Hyperemesis Gravidarium
 - Chest Pain
 - Select Syncope Patients

- Cellulitis - General/Other

- Select Trauma Patients or TBIs

- TIAs

- Discuss the patient with your POD attending to see if they approve the admission to an observation protocol, then call the CDU provider at 688-5372 to give them report
- In Epic, place patient in "ED Observation" under 'Dispo' tab

**Specialty Outpatient Follow-up** 

- Subspecialty outpatient appointments are best facilitated by placing a 'Referral Order' within the Discharge Navigator. The scheduling coordinators from the specialty clnics will contact the patient to schedule this appointment.
- You may also put the clinic contact information in the 'Follow-Up' section in the Discharge Navigator.

Additional details/exceptions below:

Speciality	Urgent Follow-up (<1week)	Non-urgent Follow-up
ENT	Resident on call	Epic Referral
GI	513-475-7505, then press 1 for scheduling and/or press 2 for nursing. Can also EPIC message Debra Snell: 746-0619 or Donna Keaton: 746-5048 for urgent follow-up	Epic Referral (GI fellows do not expedite)
OMFS	OMFS resident on call (tooth removal)	Refer to dentist, let them refer to OMFS
Ophthalmology	Resident on call	Resident on call
Plastics	Resident on call	513-475-8881
Orthopedics	Resident on call	513-475-8690

## **Medical Hold**

<u>Medical Hold:</u> Not permitting patient to leave hospital/ED due to underlying medical condition.

- Involves a Capacity determination: Patient needs immediate medical treatment AND patient does NOT have capacity to understand risks/benefits/outcomes of leaving AMA.
- Common examples include AMS or EtOH intoxication.
- \*\*Medical Hold is NOT the same thing as a Psychiatric hold
- \*\*Public Safety Officers are not permitted to forcibly restrain medical hold patients, unlike patients on Psych hold
- \*\*When the patient could potentially qualify for both a Medical and Psychiatric hold, use the Medical hold FIRST as this allows more time for clearance and evaluation for the inpatient team.

### 3 Basic Steps

- 1. Determine patient needs to stay under a medical hold
- 2. Order the Medical Hold in Epic
  - a. "Order Sets" → "Medical Hold"
- b. Order entry will prompt a Best Practice Advisory (BPA) reminding you to add "Needs a medical hold" into Problem List → Click Accept

### **E** Orders from Order Sets

#### Involuntary Medical Hold Orders

Medical hold

ASAP, Until discontinued, starting today at 1158, until Sun 5/17, for 3 days

#### Contact next of kin

P ASAP, As needed, starting today at 1157, Until Specified

- c. Document the need for treatment and the lack of capacity within a separate, blank reassessment note. Type ".medhold" and fill out the note, taking care to answer all prompts.
- 3. Discontinuing a Medical Hold
  - a. Discontinue the order
  - b. Discontinue the Medical Hold Problem from the Problem List
- c. Document new note with change in capacity (".medcap" or add addendum to prior note)

\*If you forget to discontinue these prior to discharge, a BPA will fire AT THE TOP of the Discharge navigator to make it easier.

## Step-Down Criteria

Diagnosis	Requirements
Acetaminophen Toxicity	With transaminitis receiving N-acetylcysteine; no encephalopathy
Acute Delirium	Requiring frequent pharmacologic or nursing intervention
Acute Thyrotoxicosis	W/o thyroid storm but requiring continuous (not titrating) CCB or BB infusion for rate control
DKA	Uncomplicated & improving on insulin gtt (q2h FS)
Ethanol Withdrawal	Requiring continuous non-titrated benzo infusion
Hemodynamic Instability	Regardless of etiology, if patient has persistently abnormal vital signs, consider if they will be better served on a stepdown team rather than floor service
Hyponatremia	>115 + mental status changes/seizure but otherwise stable <115 without mental status change
GI bleed	Active but hemodynamically stable with witnessed melena or BRBPR; Reported bleed with HgB<9, ESLD, INR >1.7, SBP >100, HR <110
Ophthalmologic	Rx >3 drops per hour (q1h to ICU)
Overdose/Tox	With mental status changes but stable resp status
Pulmonary	New NIPPV, significant hypoxia (FiO2 >50%), >q4h resp treatments

- Step-down beds tend to be the most difficult to obtain quickly, so be sure you discuss the decision to send a patient to step-down vs floor vs ICU with your R4.
- Frequent reassessment of their appropriateness for step-down is necessary given how much time they can spend in the ED before getting a bed.

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## Syncope

- No defined "workup" for syncope. Discuss with your R4 and use clinical
  judgment. Typically get an EKG, fingerstick glucose and pregnancy test. If
  admitted will need orthostatic vital signs so you can go ahead and get these
  to help out the medicine team.
- Important to differentiate from seizure. Bystander history may be helpful.
- San Francisco Syncope Rule (CHESS mnemonic) and Canadian Syncope Risk Score are methods to help predict potential for adverse events at 30 days.

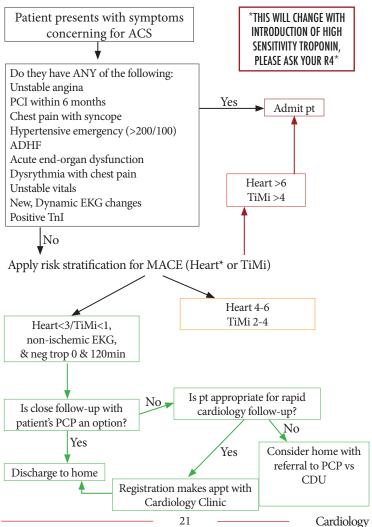
## **Hypertension**

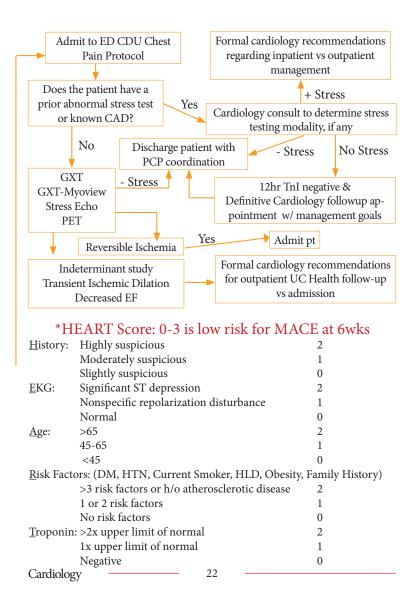
- Isolated asymptomatic hypertension does not typically require treatment
  Consider giving home oral antihypertensives
- History and exam for neurologic findings, chest pain, pulmonary edema as evidence of end-organ damage
- Consider the following: Renal panel, Troponin, BNP, EKG, UA, Upreg, CXR, Head CT
- Hypertensive Emergency is treated differently based on form of end organ damage. See tamingthesru.com for treatment.

Characteristics	HTN Emergency	HTN Urgency
Significant BP elevation	Yes	Yes
BP >180/120	Yes	No
End Organ Damage	Yes	No
IV Meds	Yes	No
Associated Conditions	ACS, Dissection, optic swelling, encecephalop- athy, pulmonary edema	Nose Bleeds



## **Chest Pain**





# **Epistaxis**

## **Initial Evaluation**

## Stable vitals?

High risk?

- Anticoagulants
- Bleeding diathesis
- Renal/hepatic dz
- 1. Have pt blow nose vigorously 2.2 Afrin sprays/nare
- 3. Alar pressure x 15 minutes

Stopped?  $\xrightarrow{+}$  Observe 1-2 hrs 7 day follow-up

Visualize Source?

Chemical Cautery
- Silver nitrate sticks Surgicel Gelfoam

ABCs

SRU

Consider: Lido+epi

TXA 5% solution Nasal Packing (See Adjuncts)

Stopped?

Home with keflex ENT f/u in 72hrs

ENT consult

Septal Hematoma Symptomatic anemia

ANTERIOR

1. Nasal tampon



2. Rapid Rhino

3. Rhino Rocket



POSTERIOR





Foley Catheter

Ultra-stat

## **Admission Indications**

- Unstable
- Bilateral Anterior Packing
- Posterior Packing

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## **Strep Pharyngitis**

### Centor Criteria

History of fever	+1 pt
Tonsillar exudates	+1 pt
Tender anterior cervical adenopathy	+1 pt
Absence of cough	+1 pt
Modified Centor Criteria (above plus age)	
• Age <15	+1 pt
• Age >44	-1 pt

## Management

- <2 points: No antibiotic or throat culture necessary (Risk of infection <10%)</li>
- 2 points: optional Rapid strep test in ED, treat if positive
- >2 points: Rapid strep + culture, treat if positive

## **Evaluation of the Red Eye**

- 1) Unilateral or Bilateral?
- 2) Visual acuity
- 3) Pupillary response
- 4) Extraocular movements
- 5) Ophthalmoscopic exam
- 6) Evert the eyelid looking for foreign bodies
- 7) Visual fields

- 8) Tonopen measurements if indicated
- 9) Tetracaine/Fluoroscein exam to eval for corneal abrasion
- 10) Slit lamp exam; looking for cell and flare, foreign bodies, corneal abrasions, or hyphema

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## Dental Pain

- Consider dental block (dental injector in the dental cart in IPod + 1.8 ml bupivacaine cartridge)
- Tap on tooth to confirm that pain is actually dental and not referred pain.
- Examine for gingival abscess, lymphadenopathy, buccal, periorbital and submandibular cellulitis/abscess.
- Do thorough exam to make sure no evidence of Ludwig's angina, airway compromise or inability to tolerate secretions.
- Antibiotics: Penicillin VK 500 mg PO QID for 10 days or Clindamycin 300-450 mg PO QID for 10 days
- If patient requires an immediate dental extraction, has buccal cellulitis, facial abscess associated with dental infection or other concerning features, contact OMFS resident on call for rapid follow-up or consider CDU admission.

## **Dental Box**

- Located in I pod and contains items needed for most ENT/Dental procedures.
- List of contents is attached to the cart.

#### **Specific Items:**

- Calcium Hydroxide Paste: use for covering exposed dentin/pulp in Ellis II/III dental fractures.
- 2. Temrex (Zinc oxide/Eugenol): use for securing loose crowns/ caps/fillings. Can also use to cover deep, sensitive caries.
- 3. Coe-Pak: use to stabilize loose or avulsed teeth.

Instructions for how to prepare and use these items are on the carts.

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## **Facial Nerve Blocks**



 Go to www.tamingthesru.com/regional-anesthesia for videos of how to perform blocks

## **Abdominal Pain**

## Right Upper Quadrant:

- Biliary Colic
- Cholecystitis
- Hepatic abscess
- Acute hepatitis
- Perforated ulcer
- Pancreatitis
- Retrocecal appendicitis
- RLL pneumonia

## Left Upper Quadrant:

- Gastritis
- Pancreatitis
- GERD
- Splenic pathology
- Cardiac pathology
- LLL pneumonia
- Pleural effusion

#### Diffuse:

- Peritonitis
- Early appendicitis
- Mesenteric thrombosis
- Gastroenteritis
- Dissecting or ruptured aneurysm
- Intestinal obstruction
- DKA
- Inflammatory Bowel Disease

## Right Lower Quadrant:

- Appendicitis
- Meckel's diverticulitis
- Cecal diverticulitis

## eft Lower Quadrant:

• Sigmoid diverticulitis

### Lower Quadrant:

- Aortic aneurysm
- Ectopic pregnancy
- Ovarian cyst
- PID
- Endometriosis
- Ureteral calculi
- Psoas abscess

- Mesenteric adenitis
- Ovarian torsion
- Tubo-ovarian
- abscessUrinary tract
- infection

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GI

## **GI Bleed**

- If unstable: manage with your R4 and move to SRU
- Most important lab in unstable pt=Type and Screen
- Stable: CBC, BMP, type and screen, Liver profile, PT,/INR, PTT, and 2 large bore IV's.
- Consider ECG/Troponin if symptomatic or cardiac history

## 1. Lower GI Bleed

- Pts complaining of only blood on the toilet paper, no concerning PMHx, no BRBPR on exam and stable vital signs can go home with follow up after a normal workup (above)
- If large volume blood loss, consider obtaining a CT with and without contrast (put in "GI protocol" in comments section) to gauge if it is an active bleed that may be amenable to IR intervention

## 2. Upper GI Bleed

- Consider these medications when patients have active bleeding, SBP <100, orthostatic vitals or a Hb <7.
  - a. <u>IV protonix</u> if concern for PUD: can do bolus or intermittent dosing (80mg or 40mg BID).
  - b. <u>IV octreotide</u> if concern for variceal bleeding: bolus 50mcg then a drip at 50mcg/hr.
  - c. <u>IV ceftriaxone</u> 1gm should be given to cirrhotic patients with UGI bleeds as SBP prophylaxis.
- \*\*If the pt is on any anticoagulation or antiplatelet agent with abnormal labs (PLT <50k or INR >1.7), talk to your R4 about reversing these agents and consider obtaining TEG.
- \*\*If concern for continued uncontrolled bleeding, consult GI fellow for emergent endoscopy, and admit to MICU

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## Glasgow Blachford Score\*

Admission Risk Marker	Score Value
1) Blood Urea (mg/dL)	
18.2-22.3	2
22.4-28	3
28-70	4
>70	6
2) Hemoglobin (g/L) for men	
12.0-13.0	1
10.0-12.0	3
<10.0	6
3) Hemoglobin (g/L) for women	
10.0-12.0	1
<10.0	6
4) Systolic Blood Pressure	
100-109	1
90-99	2
<90	3
5) Pulse >100 bpm	1
6) Presents with melena	1
7) Presents with syncope	2
8) Hepatic Disease	2
9) Cardiac Failure	2

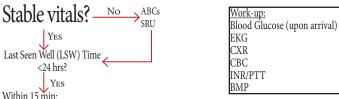
<sup>\*</sup>Applies to Upper GI bleeds only

- Scores of 0 may be eligible to go home with close follow-up
- Scores of 6 or more were associated with a greater than 50% risk of needing an intervention (endoscopy, transfusion, surgery).

# **Ischemic Stroke**

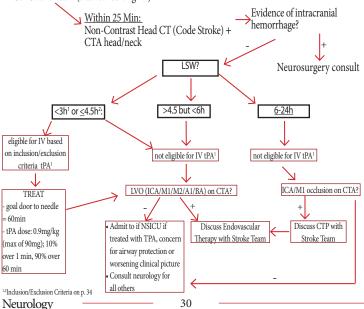
## **Initial Evaluation**

\*Use the Stroke Orderset In EPIC!



#### Within 15 min:

- Brief History & Neurological Exam
- NIH Stroke Scale (see p. 35)
- Establish IV access (Prefer 18ga Right A.C)
- Call Stroke Team (after consulting R4)



## TPA inclusion/exclusion criteria for LSW < 3h

#### **Exclusion Criteria**

- Historical
  - Stroke or head trauma in previous 3 months
  - Any history of intracranial hemorrhage
  - Major surgery in the previous 14 days
  - Gl or urinary tract bleeding in previous 21 days
  - □ Myocardial infarction in previous 3 months
  - Arterial puncture at noncompressible site in previous 7 days
- Clinical
  - Spontaneously clearing stroke symptoms
  - Only minor and isolated neurologic signs
- Seizure at stroke onset
- Persistent SBP >185 or DBP >110 despite treatment
- Use of direct thrombin inhibitors (e.g. dabigatran, argatroban) or direct factor Xa inhibitors (e.g. rivaroxaban, apixaban) with elevated aPTT, INR, or factor Xa assay
- Active bleeding or acute trauma (fracture) on exam
- Labs
  - □ Platelets <100K
  - □ Serum glucose <50, >400
  - □ INR >1.7 or PT >15 sec if on warfarin
  - Elevated PTT if on heparin
- Head C1
  - Evidence of hemorrhage
  - Evidence of multilobar infarction with hypodensity involving >33% of cerebral hemisphere
  - Intracranial neoplasm, AVM, or aneurysm
- Use of dabigatran within 48hrs is relative contraindication

#### **Relative Exclusion Criteria**

- Minor or rapidly improving stroke symptoms
- Pregnancy
- Seizure at onset with postictal residual neuro impairments

## Additional TPA inclusion/exclusion criteria for LSW < 4.5h

#### tPA between 3-4.5hrs

#### Inclusion Criteria

■ Same as for ≠3hr

#### **Exclusion Criteria**

- = All of the above plus:
  - □ Age >80yr
  - Combination of both previous stroke and DM
  - □ NIHSS score >25
  - Oral anticoagulant use regardless of INR

Depending upon the patient's history, he/she may qualify for a wake-up MRI. For instance, if there is concern enough for a large vessel occlusion stroke (LVO) with a last known normal unclear due to symptom onset when the patient woke up, this may benefit from an MRI. Please discuss this with your R4 and Pod attending before ordering.

## **NIH Stroke Scale**

1. Level of Consciousness	7-10. Motor (R/L arm + leg)
0 - Alert 1 - Drowsy 2 - Stuporous 3 - Coma	0 - No drift 1 - Drift 2 - Can't resist gravity 3 - No effort against gravity 4 - No movement UN - amputation/joint fusion
2. LOC questions (month, age)	11. Limb ataxia (Finger-Nose, Heel- Knee-Shin)
0 - Both correct 1 - One correct 2 - None correct	0 - Absent 1 - Present in 1 limb 2 - Present in 2 limbs
3. LOC commands (close eyes, make a fist)	12. Sensation (pinprick)
0 - Both correct 1 - One correct 2 - None correct	0 - Normal 1 - Partial loss 2 - Severe loss
4. Best Gaze	13. Best Language
0 - Normal 1- Partial gaze palsy 2 - Forced deviation	0 - No aphasia 1 - Mild-mod aphasia 2 - Severe aphasia 3 - Mute
5. Visual fields	14. Dysarthria
0 - No visual loss 1- Partial hemi 2 - Complete hemi 3 - Bilateral hemi	0 - None 1 - Mild-Mod 2 - Near to Unintelligible or Worse UN - intubated/barrier
6. Facial Palsy	15. Extinction and Inattention
0 - Normal 1 - Minor 2 - Partial 3 - Complete	0 - No neglect 1 - Partial neglect 2 - Complete neglect

## Vertigo

## Peripheral - 80%

#### Hx/PE:

- Sudden onset
- Severe intensity
- Duration
  - · Seconds to minutes
  - Hours, days (intermittent)
- N/V more frequent/severe
- Nystagmus one direction
- Worsened by position
- No neurological findings



- Canalith repositioning maneuvers
  - Epley Maneuver (Posterior BPPV)Lempert Maneuver (BBQ roll)
    - (Lateral BPPV)
- Vestibular suppressants
  - Meclizine 25mg PO QID or
  - Diazepam 5-10mg BID
- Anti-emetic
- Follow up with PCP or ENT

## Central - 20%

#### Hx/PE:

- Gradual or sudden onset
- Mild intensity
- Duration
  - Weeks, months (continuous)
  - · Seconds to minutes (vascular)
- Nystagmus in any direction
- Little change w/ position
- Usually assoc w/ neurological findings ("Dizzy plus")
- + HINTS exam\*



- CT to r/o mass or hemorrhage
- Concern for posterior stroke / dissection
  - Consider non-contrast CT
     +/- CTA head and neck
- Consider Neuro consult if the above is negative, as these tests do not completely rule out central cause for vertigo

\*HINTS exam may be helpful in those that are currently symptomatic but has no role if patient not vertiginous at time of exam.

Every single vertigo patient should have a thorough neuro exam performed AND documented correctly in your note.

## Migraine

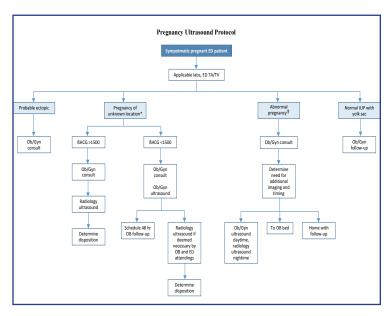
- IVF
- $\bullet$  Prochlor perazine 10 mg or metoclopramide 10 mg IV/IM
  - +/- Diphenhydramine 25 mg IV/IM/PO
- Ketorolac 15 mg IV/IM (Not in Pregnancy)
- Consider dexamethasone 10 mg IV for patients with headache lasting longer than 72 hours or history of severe recurrent migraine
- Consider Magnesium or Depakote in refractory patients (per R4)
- \*\*\* Avoid narcotic use in migraine pts
- Consider imaging and/or further workup if: change in quality or character of headache, abnormal neurologic exam, sudden onset of HA, meningeal signs, fever

## Seizure

- Seizure precautions: lay on side, suction readily available, padding to bedrails (blankets), check FSBS
- Seizures almost always end on their own without treatment
- If not, start with Versed, Ativan, or Valium. IM, IN or IV routes are acceptable. 5mg IV diazepam = 2mg IV lorazepam=4 mg IV midazolam
- Status Epilepticus is considered if either:
  - a) a seizure lasts >5min or
  - b) pt has multiple seizures without returning to baseline mental status between. This diagnosis deserves aggressive treatment, loading dose of AED and consideration of admission to NSICU.
- Patient with known seizure disorder: urine pregnancy test, antiepileptic serum levels, consider renal panel and UA
- If planning to consult Neurology, they prefer patient to have CBC, Renal, Liver panel, UA, UDS, +/- head CT, and CXR
- Patient with new diagnosis of seizures: non-contrast head CT, renal panel, UA, UDS, urine pregnancy test at minimum. Discuss with your R4 for other tests based on patient's past medical history and circumstances involving seizure (ie drug/EtOH withdrawal)
- Consider discharge on Ativan 0.5mg BID x 3 days (local practice

Neurology

## **Rule Out Ectopic Pregnancy**



\*concern for cervical ectopic, interstitial ectopic, marginal pregnancy, heterotopic pregnancy, pregnancy with abnormal uterine anatomy are included here ^could include fetal demise, subchorionic hemorrhage, intramural hematoma, cervical funneling, molar pregnancy

- ED will transfer US images to EPIC at time of consult this occurs once you sign the qPathE chart; please ask your R4 if you have any questions on this
- ED resident will speak with radiology to initiate call-in if overnight
- If radiology or GYN consultants review/interpret ED obtained images, they should document this in patient's chart.

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## Fetal Development

As first able to be seen on ultrasound

Week 4 - Gestational Sac (GS

Week 5 - Yolk Sac (YS)

Week 6 - Fetal Pole (FP)



## Hyperemesis Gravidarum

- Hydrate the patient aggressively
- · Treat nausea.
  - OB uses hydroxyzine and B6 aggressively. These should be first line, and consider sending the patient home on both
  - Phenergan is Class C while ondansetron is class B
- Labs: renal panel, UA (for ketosis)
- Consider D5 LR to help with ketone clearance
- Dispo: home if tolerating PO, clearance of ketones. May need antiemetics to go home with. If refractory to treatment, may require GYN consultation/admission

## **Dysfunctional Uterine Bleeding**

Workup typically consists of pelvic exam, wet prep, G/C swabs, urine pregnancy test, UA, +/- CBC

- 1) Anovulatory Bleeding (90%): OCPs first line but do not prescribe OCP taper unless patient has guaranteed follow up. NSAIDs work also.
- Possible taper:
  - 1) Ortho-Cyclen 1 tab PO TID X3 days or until bleeding subsides
  - 2) Then 1 tab PO BID X 3-5 days,
  - 3) then 1 tab PO qd until all active tabs given
  - 4) Skip inert tabs.
- Another taper option:
  - 1) Moderate-estrogen OCP (LoOvral) one active pill QID X 4 days
  - 2) Then one TID X 3 days,
  - 3) Then one BID X 2 days
  - 4) Then daily X 3 weeks,
  - 5) Then skip 1 week
  - 6) Then cycle on OCP for at least 3 months.
- Contraindications to OCP: Previous thromboembolic event or stroke, history of estrogen-dependent tumor, active liver disease, pregnancy, hypertriglyceridemia, older than 35 and smokes > 15 cigarettes per day, age > 40.
- 2) Ovulatory Bleeding (10%):
- NSAIDs
- Can use above tapers if pt has follow-up

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## **Pelvic Inflammatory Disease**

- 1) Diagnosis: at a minimum patient needs cervical/uterine motion tenderness, or adnexal\* tenderness + at least 1 of the following:
  - · Abnormal cervical discharge
  - Pelvic abscess or inflammatory complex on bimanual exam
  - Positive gonorrhea or Chlamydia test
  - Leukocytosis
  - Elevated ESR or CRP
  - Temperature >38° C
- \*Adnexal tenderness should prompt transvaginal US for TOA
- consider testing for HIV, syphilis as well
- 2) Treatment:
  - a. Inpatient:
    - Doxycycline 100mg IV/PO BID + [Cefoxitin 2g IV QID or Cefotetan 2g IV BID]
  - b. Outpatient:
    - Ceftriaxone 250mg IM once + Doxycycline 100mg PO BID x14d +/- metronidazole 500mg BID x14d
- 3) When to consult GYN for admission:
  - Severe clinical disease with high fever, TOA, peritonitis
  - When other causes of abdominal pain are not yet excluded such as ectopic pregnancy or appendicitis
  - The patient is pregnant
  - Failure to respond to outpatient oral therapy
  - Inability to tolerate PO
  - Inability to follow outpatient regimen (due to socioeconomic status, young age, etc)
  - The patient is immunocompromised

## **Sexually Transmitted Infections**

- Labs: Wet prep (trich, BV, yeast) come back within 60 minutes and HIV within 1-2 hours, but G/C and syphilis take 24 hours
- Males: Offer to swab them. If they refuse, still treat them. If rectal pain or history of UTIs, consider prostatitis.
- Females: Do a pelvic exam to make sure they do not have evidence of PID and check urine pregnancy test.
- Treatment for uncomplicated cervicitis & urethritis: 250 mg ceftriaxone IM + 1 g azithromycin PO + 2 g metronidazole PO
- Treatment for prostatitis:
  - a. <35yo: doxycycline 100mg PO BID x21d + 250mg ceftriaxone IM x1
  - b. >35yo: ciprofloxacin 500mg qday x 21d
- D/C Instructions: abstain from intercourse for 2 weeks, repeat HIV in 6 months and alert their partners that they have been treated

## Miscarriage

- 1) Threatened Abortion: Vaginal bleeding in pregnancy and closed cervix (50% of these will go on to spontaneously abort, 50% will go on to have normal pregnancy)
- 2) Complete abortion: All products of uterus are expelled from uterus and identified, closed cervix, thin endometrial stripe
- 3) Incomplete abortion: retention of some products of conception
- 4) Inevitable abortion: vaginal bleeding with dilated cervix
- 5) Spontaneous abortion: one that occurs naturally
- 6) Missed abortion: retention of fetus that has been dead at least 8 weeks
- <u>Work-up</u>: Upreg, UA, Type & Screen, Serum Quant Hcg, CBC, Pelvic Exam, Ultrasound if IUP has not been established, can screen for presence of IUP presently

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consult GYN on most of these for at least follow-up appts
 <u>Disposition:</u> Most can go home with follow-up but GYN can help

## **Common Splints**



• Thumb Spica: Injuries to scaphoid/ trapezium; extra-articular first metacarpal fractures; Stable thumb fractures.

• Sugar Tong: Acute distal Radius & Ulnar Fractures.





• Volar Wrist: Wrist, 2nd-5th metacarpals, and carpal fx other than scaphoid or trapezium.

• Ulnar Gutter: 4th & 5th proximal/ middle phalangeal shaft fractures; select metacarpal fractures.





• Radial Gutter: 2nd & 3rd proximal/ middle phalangeal shaft fractures; select metacarpal fractures.

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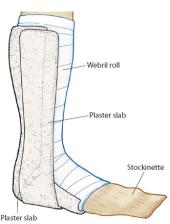
## **Common Splints**



 Posterior Long Arm: Distal humeral fractures; proximal/ midshaft forearm fractures.

 Stirrup/Posterior ankle: distal leg, ankle, tarsal, and metatarsal fractures.

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## Ottawa Ankle Rules

### Obtain X-rays if:

- Pain in the mallelolar zone +1 of the following:
  - a. Bone tenderness along the distal 6 cm of the posterior edge of the tibia or tip of the medial malleolus
  - b. Bone tenderness along the distal 6 cm of the posterior edge of the fibula or tip of the lateral malleolus
  - c. An inability to bear weight both immediately and in the emergency department for four steps

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## Ottawa Foot Rules

#### Obtain X-rays if:

- pain in the midfoot zone +1 of the following:
  - a. Bone tenderness at the base of the fifth metatarsal
  - b. Bone tenderness at the navicular bone
  - c. An inability to bear weight both immediately and in the emergency department for four steps.

Acute: < 6 wks

Chronic: > 12m

Subacute: 6wks - 12m

## Low Back Pain

### Red Flags (needs further imaging +/- labs ):

• Age <16 or >50

· Weight loss

Night sweats

Recent trauma

Weakness

- Bowel/bladder habit changes
- Intractable pain
- Fever (concern for pyelonephritis or epidural abscess)
- History of IV drug abuse or cancer
- Urinary retention or saddle anesthesia
- New pain in an older adult
- No need to image unless any red flag symptoms
- Common treatments: ibuprofen and cyclobenzaprine or diazepam with discharge information regarding back exercises and PCP f/u

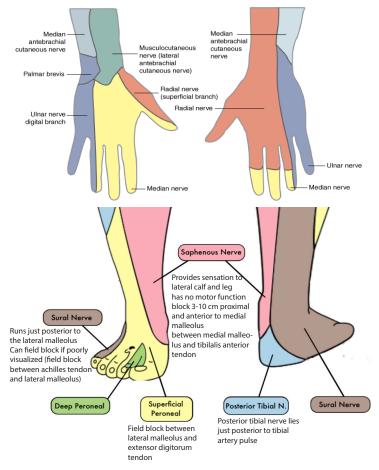
### Key clinical features:

- Worse with standing, better leaning forward: spinal stenosis
- Worse with sitting, cough and valsalva: disc herniation

Hip flexion: L1-L3	Patellar relex: L4
Knee flexion: L5-S1	Achilles reflex: S1
Dorsiflexion: L4-5	Perineal sensation/anal wink: S2-S4
Plantarflexion: S1-2	

Orthopedics

## Distal Nerve Blocks



 Videos on nerve blocks available online @tamingtheSRU.com/regionalanesthesia

## **Wound Repair Guidelines**

Location	Skin	Deep*	Days Left In
Scalp	Staples, 5-0/4-0/3-0 Prolene/Ethilon	4-0 monocryl/ Chromic Gut	7-10
Ear	6-0 Prolene/ Ethilon	5-0 monocryl/ Chromic Gut	7-10
Eyelid	7-0/6-0 Prolene/ Ethilon/ FAST Gut		5-7
Nose	6-0 Prolene/ Ethilon/ FAST Gut	5-0 monocryl/ Chromic Gut	5-7
Lip	6-0 Chromic Gut	5-0 monocryl/ Chromic Gut	5-7
Oral Mucosa		4-0/5-0 monocryl/ Chromic Gut	5-7
Face/Forehead	6-0 Prolene/ Ethilon/ FAST Gut	5-0 monocryl/ Chromic Gut	4-5
Trunk	5-0/4-0/3-0 Prolene/Ethilon	3-0 monocryl/ Chromic Gut	8-10 (Chest/ Abd) 12-14 (Back)
Extremities	Staples, 6-0/5-0 Prolene/ Ethilon	4-0 monocryl/ Chromic Gut	8-10
Hand	6-0/5-0 Chromic Gut	5-0 monocryl/ Chromic Gut	8-10 10-12 (tip)
Foot/Sole	4-0/3-0 Prolene/ Ethilon	4-0 monocryl/ Chromic Gut	12-14

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  If wound is "clean" low risk of infection can use vicryl as alternative to monocryl.

## **Topical Anesthetics**

Topical Anesthetic	Common Uses	Concentration	Max Dose
			for 70kg pt
1% Lidocaine w/o	Fingers, Toes,	10mg/ml	28ml (280mg)
epinephrine	Nose		
1% Lidocaine w/	Suturing, I&Ds	10mg/ml	49ml (490mg)
epinephrine			
2% Viscious Lidocaine	Mucous	20mg/ml	14ml
	Membranes,		
	Pre-NP Scope		
4% Lidocaine	Atomize or	40mg/ml	7ml
	Nebulize onto		
	Mucous		
	Membranes		
0.25% bupivicaine	Nerve Blocks	2.5mg/ml	70ml

<sup>\*</sup>Toxic Dose of Lidocaine without Epi: 4 mg/kg; with Epi: 7 mg/kg

## **Absorbable Suture Material**

Material	Structure	Tissue Rx	Tensile Strength	Half-life (d)
Chromic Gut	Natural	++++	++	12
FAST Gut	Natural	++++	++	7
Vicryl	Braided	++	++++	28
Monocryl	monofilament	+	+++	7

## Non-Absorbable Suture Material

Material	Structure	Tissue Rx	Tissue Strength	Knot Lock
Ethilon	Monofilament	++	+++	++
Prolene	Monofilament	+	++++	+

<sup>\*</sup>Toxic Dose of Bupivacaine: 3 mg/kg

### Pneumonia

Recent definition change with the 2016 IDSA guidelines. HCAP is no longer recognized as a clinical entity. Many of the patients previously treated as HCAP can now be treated with CAP coverage. Discuss with R4 on who deserves broad spectrum antibiotics vs typical CAP coverage.

- 1) Hospital Aquired Pneumonia (HAP)/Ventilator Aquired Pneumonia (VAP):
- HAP=Development of pneumonia following 48h of admission which was not present on admission to hospital or healthcare facility
- VAP=Development of pneumonia 48h after intubation
- Tailor treatment to risk factors for MDRO infection and pt. specific factors!

VAP:Patient develops pneumonia 48 hours after intubation

#### **VAP MDRO risk factors**

Develops ARDS Presents with septic shock Has received IV antibiotics in the last 90 days HAP:Patient develops pneumonia 48 hours after hospital admission

#### **HAP MDRO risk factors**

Requires ventilatory support
Presents with septic shock
Has received antibiotics in the last 90 days

Recommended Initial Antibiotic Choices for Select Populations

MRSA coverage: vancomycin 15mg/kg IV (consider 25mg/kg loading dose) OR linezolid 600mg IV

**Pseudomonal coverage:** piperacillin-tazobactam 4.5g IV OR cefepime 2g IV OR levofloxacin 750mg IV OR meropenem 1g IV OR tobramycin inhaled/IV

### 2) Community Acquired Pneumonia (CAP):

#### Treatment:

- Cover for common pathogens in conjunction with local antibiograms
- Based on high macrolide resistance at UCMC, most are treated as detailed in shaded box below.

Community Acquired Pneumonia		
Patient Population Outpatient Antibiotic Regimen		
Well-appearing patients with no comorbidities and no recent antibiotic use in an area without signifi- cant macrolide resistance	a macrolide <sup>1</sup> ( <i>e.g.</i> , azithromycin 500 mg followed by 250 mg for four days; clarithromycin 500 mg BID) OR doxycycline <sup>2</sup> (100 mg BID)	
Well-appearing patients with no comorbidities and no recent antibiotic use in an area with significant macrolide resistance	a beta-lactam (e.g., amoxicillin 1 g TID; amoxicillin-clavulanate XR 2 g BID) plus a macrolide or doxycycline OR a respiratory fluoroquinolone (e.g., levofloxacin 750 mg daily)	
Well-appearing patients with significant medical comorbidities <sup>4</sup> or with recent antibiotic use <sup>5</sup>	a beta-lactam plus a macrolide or doxycycline OR a respiratory fluoroquinolone	

<sup>1.</sup> Patients with a history of prolonged QIC interval should not receive mocrolides. 2. Doxycycline is controladicated for pregnant patients. 3. Fluorequinalones may carry a higher risk for Clastrifum difficiel infection, and carry a block hox warning for tenden reputure, although care. 4. This includes (DPQ) DM, (DIF, SXR), alcoholism, liver failure, cancer or any other history of immunosuppression about a guidelines and recommendations from the AST and (DSA. 5. Whilin the lest 90 days.). Whilin the lest 90 days.

#### 3) Disposition:

Recommend using CURB-65 as a guideline:

Score 0-1: Consider outpatient management

Score 2: Consider admission Score 3 or greater: consider ICU or stepdown admission

#### **CURB-65 Score**

Confusion (1 point)
BUN >19 mg/dL (1 point)
Respiratory Rate > 30 (1 point)
Systolic Blood Pressure < 90 mmHg or Diastolic
Blood Pressure < 60 mmHg (1 point)
Age > 65 (1 point)

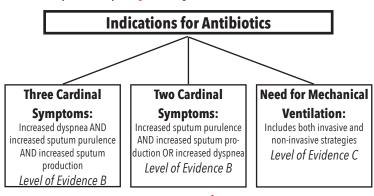
Score 0-1: 1.5% mortality risk
Score 2: 9.2% mortality risk
Score 3 or greater: 22% mortality risk

### **Asthma**

- To move these patients through, you will need to reassess them more frequently than with other complaints. Use your RTs for help.
- If known diagnosis of asthma, and patient is wheezing or coughing, no need for CXR/labs. Physical Exam is enough!
- Obtain peak flow
- 1) Mild/moderate exacerbations:
  - 'Bronchodilator Panel' order in EPIC: Ipratropium (Atrovent®) 0.5 mg / Albuterol (Proventil®) 2.5 mg x 1 dose then Albuterol (Proventil®) 2.5 mg in NS every 20 minutes x 2 doses.
  - Steroid burst: Prednisone 40-60mg PO
  - Consider Magnesium Sulfate 2g IV over 20min early
- 2) Severe Exacerbations:
  - Consider BIPAP.
  - Consider subcutaneous epinephrine or terbutaline.
  - Discuss additional therapies with R4.
- 3) Goals for discharge:
  - 1. No breathlessness or desats with walking.
  - 2. SaO2 > 95%
  - 3. Improvement in RR, peak flow, pulmonary exam.
- Discharge home with Prednisone 40 mg for total of 5 days, along with inhaler (MDI) and spacer
- 4) Admission:
  - Consider CDU admission if they need more time
  - Look at previous admissions to see length of stay average
  - Stepdown/ICU if on q1h treatments or continuous nebs

### COPD

- Treatment is very similar to that of asthma initially.
- VBG useful to compare to baseline pH/PCO2.
- Patients may be discharged with pulse ox greater than 92% or equal to baseline on room air or home O2 with ambulation 1 hour after last albuterol.
- Utilize RTs! They are a phenomenal resource. They can obtain peak flow, help with re-dosing of bronchodilators, and put your patients on CPAP/BiPAP. They live next to the A-Pod attending desk or you can call them at 688-5467 or 688-5468.
- · Antibiotics in COPD:
  - First Line Antibiotics: Azithromycin 500mg PO once then 250mg PO daily for 4 days (.zpak in Epic).



## Oxygenation Adjuncts

- 1) Nasal Cannula: Can supply  $\rm O_2$  concentration up to 28-44%; rates above 5 L/min may be too turbulent to be effective.
- 2) Non-Rebreather: Useful in patients requiring >5-6 L/min, not usually sustainable. Appropriate in patients with a (quickly) fixable source of hypoxia or as a bridge to more definitive oxygen therapy.
- 3) Venti-Mask: Allows  ${\rm FiO_2}$  of 30-50% without bumping up to a NRB. Good for mouth breathers.

Pulmonology

- 4) High Flow Nasal Cannula: Up to 60L/min humidified and heated circuit, good for intolerance of BiPAP as it provides some PEEP.
- All of the above only help with oxygenation, none augment a patient's ventilation
- Indications for NIPPV are quickly reversible hypoxic and/or hyper-carbic conditions (ie asthma, COPD, CHF).

## Non-invasive Positive Pressure Ventilation

- 1) CPAP: Continuous positive airway pressure delivered via mask, intended to improve oxygenation by providing non-invasive PEEP. Patients need to be able to tolerate the mask and, in general, must be awake enough to pull it off themselves. Can deliver  ${\rm FiO_2}$  as high as 100%
- 2) BiPap: Bi-level positive airway pressure delivered via mask, intended to add a component of improved ventilation to CPAP. Same patient requirements as CPAP.

### **Mechanical Ventilation**

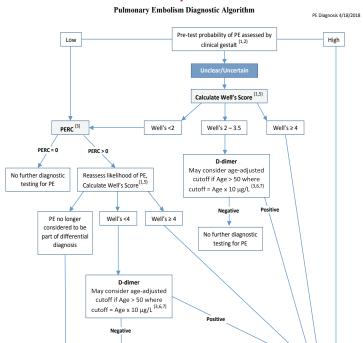
Ventilation: ability to exhale CO<sub>2</sub> which is measured by pH and pCO<sub>2</sub>. A patient's Minute Ventilation is proportional to respiratory rate and tidal volume (MV=RRxTV).

Oxygenation: ability to oxygenate which is measured by  $SpO_2$  and  $pO_2$ . Function of both the number of alveoli available to exchange  $O_2$  and the fraction of inspired  $O_2$  (FiO<sub>2</sub>).

Desired Lab/Vital Change	Physiologic change	Vent change
Increase pH/Decrease CO <sub>2</sub>	Increase MV	Increase RR Increase TV
Decrease pH/Increase CO <sub>2</sub>	Decrease MV	Decrease RR Decrease TV
Increase pO <sub>2</sub>	Increase Alveoli Recruitement	Increase PEEP*
Increase pO <sub>2</sub>	Increase inspired O <sub>2</sub>	Increase FiO <sub>2</sub>

<sup>\*</sup> PEEP: Positive End Expiratory Pressure

## **Pulmonary Embolus**



#### PE Rule-out Criteria (PERC)

- Age <50yo?</li>
- Pulse <100bpm?</li>

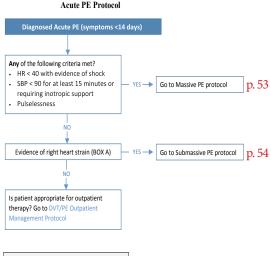
No further diagnostic testing for PE

- Pulse Ox >94% on RA?
- No hemoptysis?
- · No recent surgery?
- No prior DVTs/PEs?
- No oral hormones?

CTPA or V/Q scan

<sup>\*</sup> full diagnostic and treatment protocol on www.tamingthesru.com

## **Pulmonary Embolus Treatment Algorithm**



#### BOX A

- · RV dilation or RV dysfunction on echo
- · RV dilation on CT
- BNP > 90 pg/mL
- NTproBNP > 500 pg/mL
- · New complete or incomplete RBBB
- Anteroseptal ST elevation or
- depression
- · Anteroseptal T wave inversion
- · Troponin I > 0.4 ng/mL
- Troponin T > 0.1 ng/mL

## **Massive PE Treatment**

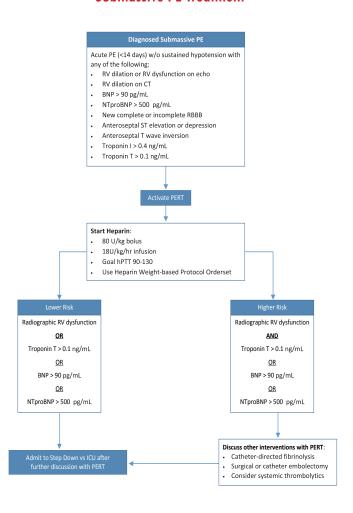
### **Diagnosed Massive PE** 1. SBP < 90 for at least 15 minutes or requiring inotropic support not due to cause other than PE such as: Arrhythmia Hypovolemia Sepsis LV dysfunction 2. Pulselessness 3. Profound bradycardia (HR < 40 with signs and symptoms of shock) Start heparin: 80 U/kg bolus 18 U/kg/hr infusion Goal hPTT 90-130 Use Heparin Weight-based Protocol Orderset Contraindication to thrombolytics (Box B) tPA per pharmacy protocol: > 65kg: 100mg/2hr < 65kg: 50mg/2hr</li> Discuss other interventions with PERT: · Risks vs. benefits of systemic thromolytics · Catheter-directed fibrinolysis No improvement or · Surgical or catheter embolectomy Continued reassessment while in ED clinical deterioration ECMO BOX B: Contraindications to tPA (from ACC/AHA guidelines) · Known intracranial cerebrovascular disease (i.e. AVM)



Recent closed head/facial trauma w/ radiographic injury of bony fractures or brain injury
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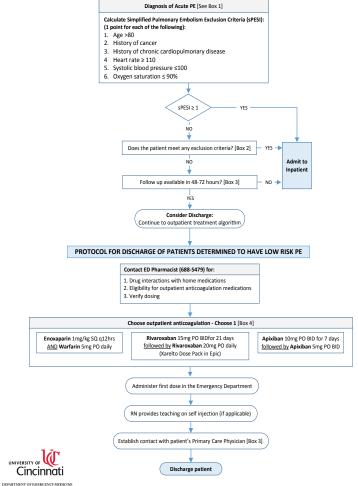
Known malignant intracranial neoplasm
 Ischemic stroke within 3 months
 Suspected aortic dissection
 Recent surgery on spinal cord or brain
 Active bleeding or bleeding diastheses

## Submassive PE Treatment



## **Outpatient PE Treatment**

#### DISCHARGE OF PATIENTS WITH LOW RISK PULMONARY EMBOLISM (PE)



## **Outpatient PE Treatment**

#### DISCHARGE OF PATIENTS WITH LOW RISK PULMONARY EMBOLISM (PE)

### Box 1: Diagnosis of Acute PE 1. One of the following: □ New filling defect on CTPA □ New filling defect on pulmonary angiography ☐ High probability VQ Scan ☐ Non-diagnostic VQ w/ new DVT on venous US 2. Symptoms of dyspnea/chest pain <14 days 3. Not currently on anticoagulation for PE Box 2: Exclusion Criteria for Outpatient Treatment 1. Age <18 2. Other medical reason for admission 3. Social circumstances requiring admission 4. Relative or absolute contraindication to outpatient anticoagulation: □ Documented history of HIT or warfarin skin necrosis ☐ Coagulopathy (INR >1.7) ☐ Platelets < 75 x109/L ☐ High risk of bleeding (recent surgery, GI bleed, stroke) ☐ CrCl < 30 ml/min ☐ Severe liver impairment (Childs Pugh B/C) ☐ Sustained BP >200/100 ☐ Morbid obesity (BMI >35) 5. Meets criteria for submassive pulmonary embolism: a. Myocardial Necrosis/ Troponin elevation b. RV Dysfunction: □ RV/LV Diameter ≥ 0.9 on apical 4 view or CT □ NTproBNP > 500 pg/ml □ BNP elevation >90 pg/ml ☐ EKG w/ new RBBB, new anteroseptal T-wave inversion or ST elevation/depression 6. Currently on anticoagulation for other medical reason

#### Box 3: Establishing Follow-Up

- 1. Outside Hospital PCP:
- □ Establish contact with PCP or on-call PCP (after hours), confirming follow-up in 48-72 hours by phone
- ☐ Physician discretion on patient-by-patient basis on adequacy of follow-up
- 2. Hoxworth Patient or No PCP:
  - ☐ Establish follow-up through established protocols at www.tamingthesru.com

#### Box 4: Choice of Anticoagulation Regimen

- Patient preference
- 2. Cost
- 3. Availability given insurance status
- 4. Ability to comply with subcutaneous injections
- 5. Safety and efficacy

7. Pregnancy
8. Physician discretion



Wells Score For DVT Risk Stratification	Points
Active Cancer (tx within last 6 months or palliative)?	+1
Calf Swelling >3 cm compared to other calf (measured 10cm below tibial tuberosity)?	+1
Collateral superficial veins (non-varicose)?	+1
Pitting Edema in symptomatic leg?	+1
Previous DVT?	+1
Swelling of entire leg?	+1
Localized pain along distribution of deep venous system?	+1
Paralysis, paresis or recent case immobilization of lower extremities?	+1
Recently bedridden >3d or major surgery requiring regional or general anesthetic in past 4 weeks?	+1
Alternative diagnosis at least as likely?	-2

Score  $\leq$  3: DVT is less unlikely, consider D-dimer to r/o DVT Score  $\geq$  3: DVT likely, consider imaging

#### **DVT Work-up and Treatment:**

- 1) If Well's <3 & negative D-dimer: discharge without further vascular imaging or anticoagulation.
- 2) If + D-Dimer, or Well's  $\geq$ 3, obtain venous duplex of lower extremity via vascular department.
  - Treat if positive duplex study
  - If negative duplex, and Wells ≥3, perform D-dimer; if + Dimer, repeat LE duplex in 3-7 days.
- 3) If +D-dimer or Well's ≥3 overnight:
  - Order a LE venous duplex in EPIC.
  - Instruct the patient to also call echo/vascular the next day.
  - Put on the order that the patient should come back to the ED if the study is positive.
  - If renal function is normal, give the pt 1.5mg/kg of enoxaparin or one-time dose of DOAC (DVT rx for 24h).

## **Glasgow Coma Scale**

#### Eye (E)

- 4. Eyes opening spontaneously
- 3. Eye opening to speech
- 2. Eye opening in response to pain
- 1. No eye opening

#### Verbal (V)

- 5. Oriented
- 4. Confused
- 3. Inappropriate words
- 2. Incomprehensible sounds
- 1. No verbal response

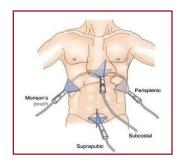
#### Motor (M)\*

- 6. Obeys commands
- 5. Localizes (across midline) to pain
- 4. Withdrawal to pain
- 3. Abnormal flexion to pain
- 2. Extension to pain
- 1. No motor response
- \*Score patient's best extremity

## **FAST Exam**

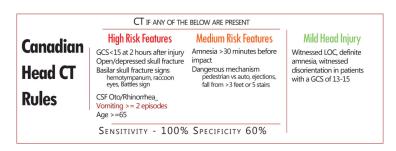
# Focus Assessment with Sonography in Trauma:

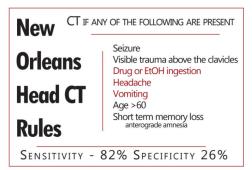
- Developed as a screening tool to identify free fluid in the hypotensive (SBP <90) blunt trauma patient, therefore identifying those who should be triaged directly to an OR instead of CT scan first.
- high false negative rate when <200cc of hemoperitoneum</li>



### Minor Head Trauma

- Minor head injury is defined as witnessed loss of consciousness, definite amnesia or witnessed disorientation in a patient with a GCS score of ≥ 13.
- These rules for ordering head CT's are not applicable if: pt is clinically intoxicated, pt is taking anticoagulants, has a bleeding disorder, age less than 16 or an obvious open skull fracture.



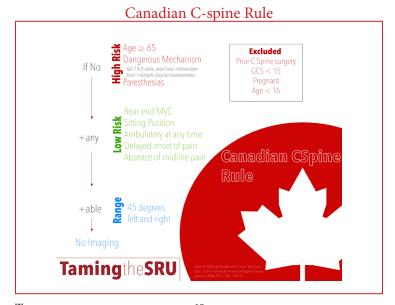


• When discharging patients diagnosed with mTBI use the dot phrase .eddcneuro to refer them to mTBI clinic. These instructions also include information about symptom management and provide a hotline to call with any questions.

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## **C-Spine Injury**

- These rules are not applicable if: pt is altered, taking anticoagulants, has a bleeding disorder, prior C-spine surgery or age less than 16.
- 1) NEXUS Criteria: Identifies who does not need imaging of their C-spine:
  - There is no posterior midline cervical tenderness
  - There is no evidence of intoxication
  - The patient is alert and oriented to person, place, time, and event
  - There is no focal neurological deficit
  - There are no painful distracting injuries (e.g., long bone fracture)
- 2) Canadian C-spine Rule: Applies to trauma patients who are a GCS



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#### Trauma STAT Criteria

Intubated or assisted ventilation Respiratory rate <10 or >29 SBP < 90mmHa ≥70yo with SBP >100mmHg Receiving blood product GCS < 13

Penetrating injury to the head, neck, or torso GSW to the extremity proximal to the knee or elbow

Opened or depressed skull fracture Paralysis or suspected spinal cord injury Flail chest

Mechanically unstable pelvic fracture (T-pod) Two or more proximal long bone fractures Amputation proximal to the wrist or ankle Crushed, degloved, or mangled extremity Pulseless extremity - to include tournique application

Combination trauma with burns > 15% TBSA Positive FAST exam

EM physician discretion

#### Trauma ALERT Criteria

Fall >20 feet

>70 years old on therapeutic anticoagulation with suspected traumatic injury

High risk motor vehicle crash:

Ejection from vehicle

Death in same passenger compartment Rollover MVC

Bicvclist/Pedestrian struck or thrown Motorcycle crash >20mph

Suspicion of hanging

Penetrating injury (not GSW) to the extremity proximal to the knee or elbow

EM physician discretion

#### Trauma CONSULT Criteria

Traumatic injury that requires admission to the Trauma service

Traumatic injury admitted by another service with plans for operative intervention within 24 hours

EM physician discretion

#### Trauma Activation: 584-4444

STATs should not be in B-pod If you have a pt who meets STAT criteria, tell your R4 immediately

• Be watchful and available for trauma team arrival to give brief report and reason for consult.

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## Sickle Cell Approach

- ALWAYS look at patient's home pain regimen to avoid a therapeutic misadventure. Reviewing chart for previous regiments/presentation can also help
- Talk to your R4 regarding appropriateness for treatment using the pathway below which consists of rapid re-dosing of IV opioids to get pain under control initially.
- Treatment should include oral medications.
- IV Fluids may help prevent sickling. Use caution in pts with Pulm HTN!
- During business hours, the sickle cell clinic can help facilitate a discharge plan.
- Labs: For uncomplicated sickle cell crisis typical workup includes CBC, BMP, Retic count, LDH.
- CXR and EKG if experiencing chest pain, SOB or fever.
- Acute Chest Syndrome: diagnostic criteria require new infiltrate + fever and/or respiratory symptoms, however consider this in any new pulmonary illness

## Sickle Cell Vaso-Occlusive Crisis Pathway

NOTE: Even if using this order set you may supplement pain medication as deemed necessary at any time, either with opiates or non-opiate medications.

- Inclusion Criteria: Non complicated vaso-occlusive crisis.
- Exclusion Criteria: >24 visits to ANY ED in 12 months, concern for complications (sepsis, ACS, Acute chest, etc).

#### HOW TO ORDER:

1) If you want to enter weight-based dosing for any sickle cell disease patient, study or not, go to order sets, type in "ED sickle" and select "ED Eval and Treat Sickle Cell Crisis".

Heme-Onc —



2) You will then see an array of diagnostic and therapeutic options including labs and other diagnostic tests. The opioid section looks like this:

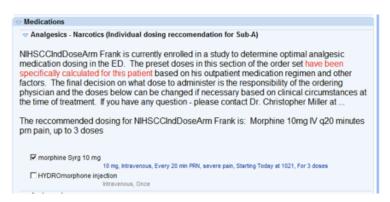


3) Select either hydromorphone or morphine and it will look like this:

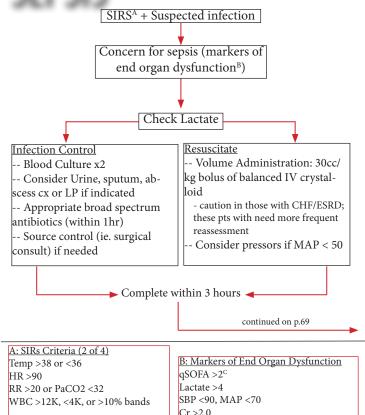


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- 4) The nurses will see both a dose and a total volume on their screen.
- 5) If the patient has a customized, patient-specific order set, you will see something like this when you open the "ED Eval and Treat Sickle Cell Crisis" order set. Each one, obviously, will be different.







C: qSofa Criteria (2 of 3)

Altered Mental Status (GCS <15)

SBP <100mmHg

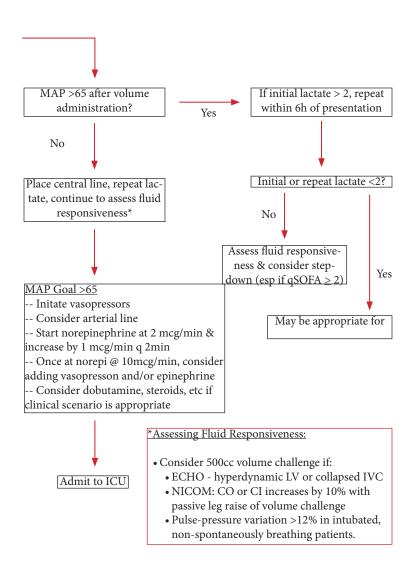
RR >22

Bilirubin >2.0

Platelets < 100k

INR >1.5

<sup>\*</sup>Adapted from a pathway created by Dr. Baez & Summers



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## **Pressors/Inotropes**

Drug	Starting Dose	Max dose	Cardiac Effect	BP effect
Norepinephrine	8-12 mcg/ min	30 mcg/ min	+	++
Epinephrine	0.1-1 mcg/ kg/min		++	+
Vasopressin	0.04 U/ min	0.04 U/ min	Neutral	+
Phenylephrine	100-180 mcg/min	0.4-9 mcg/ kg/min	-	+
Dobutamine	2.5 mcg/ kg/min	10-40 mcg/kg/ min	++	-
Milrinone	50 mcg/ kg over 10 min	0.3- 75mcg/kg/ min	++	-
Dopamine	2 mcg/kg/ min	25-50 mcg/kg/ min	+	+

- Consider calcium replacement
- Norepinephrine is first-line in septic shock.
- Dobutamine is first line inotrope in cardiogenic shock, however some will benefit from addition of norepinephrine or other vasopressor.

## **Overdoses**

With reported minor overdoses other than opiates\*, patients still get worked up as they may not be truthful regarding their overdose.

Order the following studies on every patient:

- Renal Panel
- VBG: to evaluate for metabolic acidosis (MUDPILES)
- EKG: look at the intervals; this is particularly important for TCA and anti-psychotic overdoses
- Acetaminophen level: because this is such a common drug and consequences of missing this overdose are severe
- Aspirin level: same as reasoning as for acetaminophen
- EtOH level (PES preference)
- UA +/- UDS (PES often insists)
- Urine pregnancy
- Patients will need to be on monitor, especially if agitated or somnolent
- Consider psychiatric hold (pink sheet) or medical hold if flight risk
- Contact Poison Control for even minor overdoses; their funding is based on usage and we want them to be available!

### Consider checking:

- INR if the patient takes Coumadin
- FSBG if altered mental status
- Liver panel & INR for baseline if Acetaminophen overdose
- Serum osms if unsure of acute volatile alcohol ingestion

\*reported opiate overdoses that respond to Narcan and are otherwise well appearing and improving appropriately do not need full workup. If there is suspicion or concern for coingestion, err on the side of

Poison Control: 558-5111

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## **Common Toxins and Their Antidotes**

Acetaminophen  Anticholinergic  Beta Blocker	→N-Acetylcystine
Anticholinergic	
Beta Blocker	Glucagon, Insulin, calcium
Calcium Channel Blocker -	——— Calcium, insulin
Cyanide -	→ Hydroxycobalamin
Digoxin	→ Digoxin Immune Fab
Ethylene glycol, methanol —	—— Fomepizole, Dialysis
Hydrofluoric Acid Burns	→ Calcium Gluconate (gel)
Iron —	——————————————————————————————————————
Isoniazid -	——————————————————————————————————————
Methemoglobinemia ———	→ Methylene Blue
NMS -	── Cooling, IV fluids,
	+bromocriptine,
	+dantrolene
Opioids -	———→Naloxone
Organophosphates -	→ Atropine, pralidoxime
Serotonin Syndrome	→ Cyproheptadine, cooling,
·	+benzodiazepines
Sulfonylurea -	
Sympathomimetics -	——→ Benzodiazepines,
-	+BP control

## Hyperglycemia

- 1) Initial Evaluation:
  - BMP, Mg+, CBC, VBG, serum ketones, serum osmoles, urinalysis
  - identify source of hyperglycemia from history and exam
- a) Simple Hyperglycemia:
  - No lab derangements consistent with DKA or HHS
  - Glucose >250mg/dl
- b) DKA:
  - Glucose ≥ 250 mg/dl
  - Serum/urine ketone +
  - Bicarb ≤ 18 or
  - pH ≤ 7.30
- 2) Treatment:
- a) Hyperglycemia:
  - Hydrate with IV fluids +/- insulin to get pt's glucose under renal threshold of 300mg/dl
- b) DKA & HHS:
  - Aggressive hydration
  - obtain K+ before starting insulin; replete before starting insulin if
     <3.5 to prevent life threatening hypokalemia.</li>
  - Insulin gtt @ 0.14u/kg/h (no bolus), add dextrose when glucose
     <250</li>
  - Monitor for hypokalemia, hypomagnesemia
  - Admit to Step-down or ICU
- c) New onset adult hyperglycemia:
  - Treat as above
  - Add A1C to lab eval to help triage inpatient vs outpatient (see tamingthesru.com for algorithim)
  - Asymptomatic and other labs reassuring, start metformin 500mg qday and arrange follow up

\*see www.tamingthesru.com for full algorithm\*

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- Glucose > 600 mg/dL
- Serum Osm > 300
- Bicarb > 15
- pH > 7.3

## **Insulin Formulations**

Type of Insulin	Examples	Onset of Action	Peak of Action	Duration of Action
	Humalog (lispro)	15 minutes	30-90 minutes	3-5 hours
Rapid-acting	Novolog (aspart)	15 minutes	40-50 minutes	3-5 hours
Short-acting (Regular)	Humalin R Novolin R	30-60 minutes	50-120 minutes	5-8 hours
Intermediate-	Humulin N Novolin N	1-3 hours	8 hours	20 hours
acting (NPH)	Humulin L Novolin L	1-2.5 hours	7-15 hours	18-24 hours
Intermediate- and short-act- ing mixtures	Humulin 70/30 Humalog Mix 75/25	The onset, peak, and duration of action these mixutres would reflect a compose the intermediate and short- or rapid-action components, with one peak of action		composite of
	Novolin 70/30 Novolog Mix 70/30			
1	Ultralente	4-8 hours	8-12 hours	36 hours
Long-acting	Lantus (glargine)	1 hour none 24 hour		24 hours

## Acid/Base

### Primary Abnormality:

- Acidemia: pH <7.35
- Alkalemia: pH >7.45

### Primary Mechanism:

- Metabolic: pH and PaCO2 change in SAME direction
- Respiratory: pH and PaCO2 change in OPPOSITE directions

### Compensation [respiratory in minutes, metabolic in days]

• Metabolic Acidosis:

$$PaCO2 (\pm 2) = (1.5 \times HCO3) + 8 \text{ [Winters Formula]}$$

• Metabolic Alkalosis:

$$PaCO2 (\pm 5) = (0.7 \times HCO3) + 20 \text{ [not very accurate]}$$

Respiratory Acidosis:

$$PaCO2 - 10 = pH - 0.08$$
 (Acute) or  $-0.03$  (Chronic)

• Respiratory Alkalosis:

$$PaCO2 + 10 = pH + 0.08$$
 (Acute) or  $+0.03$  (Chronic)

### Anion Gap [AG]

• Anion Gap Metabolic Acidosis:

$$Na - (Cl + HCO3) > 16$$

#### Mixed Disorders

- Delta Gap = (AG 12) (25 HCO3) \*calculate only if elevated AG
  - > +6: Concomitant Metabolic Alkalosis
  - <-6: Concomitant Non-Anion Gap Metabolic Acidosis
- Combined Metabolic + Respiratory Acidosis or Alkalosis
  - PaCO2 and HCO3 change in OPPOSITE directions
- Mixed Respiratory Acidosis and Metabolic Alkalosis
  - Normal pH but \textsquare PCO2 and \textsquare HCO3
- Mixed Respiratory Alkalosis and Metabolic Acidosis
  - Normal pH but ↓PCO2 and ↓HCO3

# Acid/Base

## Anion Gap Metabolic Acidosis - "CAT MUDPILES"

- CO, cyanide
- · Aminoglycosides
- Toluene (glue sniffing)
- Methanol
- Uremia
- DKA, starvation/alcoholic ketosis

- Paracetamol/Acetaminophen
- Iron, Isoniazid
- Lactic acidosis
- · Ethylene glycol, Ethanol
- · Lactic acidosis
- · Salicylates/ASA

## Non-Anion Gap Metabolic Acidosis - "USED CARP"

- Ureteric diversion
- · Sigmoid Fistula
- · Excess Saline
- Diarrhea
- · Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitors
- Addison's Disease
  - Renal Tubular Acidosis
  - · Pancreatic fistula, Post-hypocapnia

#### Metabolic Alkalosis

- Vomiting
- NG Suction
- Contraction Alkalosis (Diuretics)
- Hyperaldosteronism
- Hypokalemia

- Exogenous alkali
- Steroids
- · Post-hypercapnia

## Respiratory Acidosis [Hypoventilation]

- CNS Depression
- Neuromuscular Disease (Myasthenia Gravis, Guillain-Barre)
- Airway Obstruction
- · Asthma

- COPDPneumothorax
- El :1.01
- Flail Chest
- Respiratory Failure

## Respiratory Alkalosis [Hyperventilation]

- Pain
- · Anxiety
- Salicylates
- Caffeine
- Progesterone

- Pregnancy
  - Pneumonia
- Pulmonary Embolism
- Hepatic Encephalopathy
- Sepsis

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## **Electrolyte Disturbances**

## I. Hyperkalemia:

- Reference range = 3.5-5.3
- Common Etiologies: Missed dialysis, intrinsic renal disease, medication-induced, acidosis, burns, rhabdomyolysis, adrenal insufficiency
- Symptoms:
  - Mild: nonspecific (muscle weakness, paresthesias, N/V)
  - Moderate-Severe: EKG changes
    - Peaked T →wide QRS → loss of P wave → sine wave →v-fib/asystole

(\*Also can see shortened QT, ST depression, prolonged PR)

Serum potassium	Typical ECG appearance
Mild (5.5-6.5 mEq/L)	1
Moderate (6.5-8.0 mEq/L)	<b>-</b> ₩
Severe (>8.0 mEq/L)	

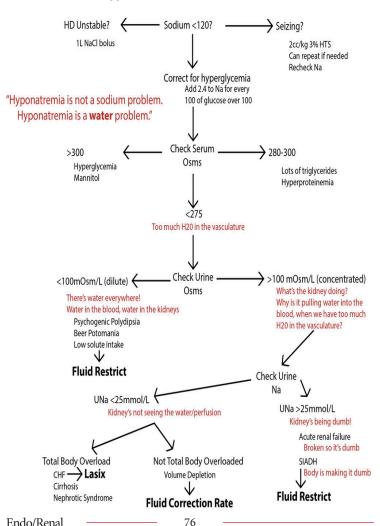
# Hyperkalemia Treatment

Drug (mechanism)	Dose	Onset	K+ reduc- tion	Duration
Ca Chloride Ca Gluconate	1g IV 3g IV	Immediate	N/A	30-60min
(Membrane Stablization)				
Insulin+D50 Sodium Bicarb	10u+50g IV 50meQ IV (1 amp)	20min 1hour	~0.5 mmol/L	~2-6h ~2h
Albuterol	10mg/10min (neb)	20min		~2h
(Redistribution)				
Hemodialysis Kayexalate Furosemide (Elimination)	15-30g PO 40mg IV	Immediate Varies Varies	Varies Inconsistent Inconsistent	3h Varies Varies

## II. Hyponatremia:

- Reference range = 133-146
- Common Etiologies: Hyperglycemia (pseudohyponatremia), psychogenic/primary polydipsia, SIADH, vomiting and diarrhea, medication-induced, heart failure, cirrhosis, renal failure, adrenal insufficiency, hyperlipidemia/hyperproteinemia
- Symptoms: Nonspecific (malaise, N/V, muscle cramps) and neurologic (AMS, headache, lethargy, seizures, coma)

# **HypoNa Evaluation & Treatment**



## III. Hypernatremia:

• Reference range = 133-146

## Common Etiologies:

- 1) Hypervolemic (sodium gain):
  - Primary Hyperaldosteronism
  - Cushing's Syndrome
  - NaHCO3 infusion
  - Salt tablets
- 2) Euvolemia (water deficit):
  - Diabetes Insipidus: central vs nephrogenic
  - Diminished thirst perception
  - Fever
  - GI loss
- 3) Hypovolemia (hypotonic loss):
  - a) Extrarenal
    - Vomiting and diarrhea
    - Third space loss
    - Burns
  - b) Renal
    - Osmotic diuresis (mannitol, hyperglycemia)
    - diuretics
    - AKI/CKD
    - Post-obstructive diuresis

## Symptoms:

• Nonspecific (Anorexia, N/V) and neurologic (AMS, lethargy, coma, twitching, hyperreflexia, tremor, ataxia)

## Workup:

 Obtain serum osm, urine osm, and urine electrolytes to help distinguish renal from extrarenal causes, especially if etiology is in doubt.

- o Urine osm < 300 consider DI
- o Urine osm 300 600 consider osmotic diuresis or DI
- o Urine osm > 600 consider extrarenal water losses

#### Treatment:

- If unstable vitals, stabilize with isotonic fluids
- If stable vitals, consider cause of hypernatremia and institute appropriate treatment in conjunction with admitting colleagues
- Hypotonic infusions vs free water intake
- Do NOT correct faster than 0.5meq/hr in chronic or subacute and 1.0meq/hr in acute hypernatremia due to risk of cerebral edema from over rapid correction.

Rate of infusion (mL/hr) to achieve 1meq/hr:  $\{(TBW + 1) / ([Na] \text{ infused} - [Na] \text{ serum})\} \times 1000$ 

TBW young male = 0.6 \* Lean body mass (kg)
TBW young female/elderly male = 0.5 \* Lean body mass (kg)
TBW elderly female = 0.4 \* Lean body mass (kg)

#### Common Infusions:

D5W - [Na] = 0 meq/L 1/2NS - [Na] = 77 meq/L LR - [Na] = 130 meq/L Normosol - [Na] = 140 meq/L NS - [Na] = 154 meq/L

## Ultrasound

- Before a scan is performed, you will determine if this is a clinically indicated study or an educational study.
- A clinically-indicated ultrasound examination:
  - Is performed for medical decision making for that patient during their emergency department visit
  - Needs to be documented in QpathE and signed by the attending. When signed, the report and images will transfer to the patient's chart, under the Imaging tab.
  - The physician should discuss their examination as part of their medical decision making in the chart
- An educational ultrasound examination:
  - Is done for provider education only
  - Requires patient verbal consent and the patient should verbalize understanding that the exam is for education only
  - Must have a confirmatory study (CT, US, MRI) performed or ordered prior to the exam (see list on next page).\*
  - Will be reviewed with the confirmatory study
  - Will have a completed worksheet in QpathE, but this information will not transfer to the patient's chart

#### 1) Aorta

- Obtain a video while scanning TRANSVERSELY from the subxiphoid to umbilical area.
  - •Can obtain still images and measurements from this clip
  - obtain 3 measurements of diameter from outer to outer wall (proximal, mid, distal aorta)
- Obtain a still image while scanning LONGITUDINALLY from the subxiphoid to aortic bifurcation.

Abdominal Aorta	<3cm
Common Iliac Arteries	< 1.85cm (males), <1.5cm (females)
Ascending Aorta	2.2-3.6 cm
Aortic Arch	2.2-3.6 cm
Descending Aorta	2.0-3.0 cm

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#### 2) Renal

- Obtain TRANSVERSE and LONGITUDINAL videos of each kidney
- If uncertain of hydronephrosis, add color to discern vasculature from dilation
- Obtain TRANSVERSE and LONGITUDINAL videos + still images of bladder, along with ureteral jets if visible

Bladder wall thickness – FULL	<4mm
Bladder wall thickness - EMPTY	<6mm
Kidney	9-12cm L x 2.5-3.5 cmT x 4-5cm W

## 3) Biliary

- Obtain TRANSVERSE and LONGITUDINAL videos + still images of gallbladder
- Gallbladder wall thickness and common bile duct diameter

Gallbladder wall (outside to outside)	<3 mm, 3-4 equivocal
CBD diameter (inside to inside)	< 5mm, +1mm per decade over 50

#### 4) Cardiac

- \*\*indicator should be to patient's left in cardiac settings except for parasternal long\*\*
- Parasternal long should include mitral and aortic valves
- Parasternal short should include cross section papillary muscles and mitral and aortic valves
- Apical 4 chamber should include all four chambers
- Subcostal should include all four chambers, mitral and tricuspid valves
- IVC
- Parasternal long and subcostal are best for assessing for pericardial effusion

Pericardial effusion	<0.5cm – small
	0.5-2.0cm – moderate
	>2.0cm - large

## 5) Early pregnancy

- •TRANSVERSE and LONGITUDINAL images of uterus
- If IUP, obtain video of fetal heart and calculate FHR with 2 beat peak-to-

#### peak

- Intrauterine pregnancy (IUP) = gestational sac + yolk sac
  - To confirm IUP, need to visualize uterus being contiguous with cervix/vaginal canal, with gestational sac inside uterus

#### 6) FAST

- Cardiac (subcostal or parasternal) include hepato-cardiac view
- •RUQ include view of hepato-diaphragm, hepato-renal and inferior tip of liver
- LUQ include spleno-diaphragm, spleno-renal and inferior tip of spleen
- Pelvic include recto-vesicular space and both transverse and longitudinal views

## **Ultrasound Guided Regional Anesthesia**

#### I. Interscalene:

Indications for Interscalene Block:

- 1) Shoulder dislocation
- 2) Large Deltoid Abscess
- 3) Pain relief for proximal humerus fracture either with or without coaptation splint placement
- •The interscalene block can, in theory, extend past the elbow, but not reliably so. Therefore, please select a different block for injuries beyond the elbow.

Strict Contraindications for Interscalene Block:

- 1) Inability to consent
- 2) Patient is already requiring supplemental oxygen
- 3) Patient is allergic to lidocaine or previously had LAST

Patient Dependent Contraindications for Interscalene Block:

- 1) Patient with COPD/asthma and severe disease
- 2) Patient with CHF and low ejection fraction
- 3) Patient on anticoagulation
- 4) Patient with unreliable follow up
- The interscalene block, in particular, has a high incidence of phrenic nerve paralysis for the duration of the agent used. It should be considered an expectation and accounted for accordingly; similar to

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those patient's with the propensity to have respiratory distress.

#### II. Femoral:

#### Indications for Femoral Block:

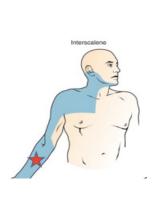
- 1) Anterior thigh laceration/abscess
- 2) hip/femoral shaft fracture
- 3) proximal tibia fracture
- 4) knee/patellar injury
  - •The femoral nerve block does not reliably anesthetize past the proximal tibia

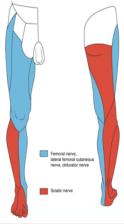
#### Strict Contraindications for Femoral Block:

- 1) Inability to consent
- 2) History of current or previous compartment syndrome
- 3) Patient is allergic to lidocaine or previously had LAST

## Patient Dependent Contraindications for Femoral Block:

- 1) Patient cannot lie flat
- 2) Patient with current weakness or paresthesias
- 3) Patient on anticoagulation
- 4) Patient without reliable follow up
- 5) Patient without all soft compartments in affect extremity





## Guidelines for Emergency Regional Anesthesia for Trauma Orthopedic Injuries

#### Block OK

- Shoulder dislocation
- Clavicle fracture
- Proximal humerus fracture
- · Low energy distal radius fracture
- · Hand and digit injuries
- Hip fracture and dislocation
- · Low energy foot and ankle fractures

Contact orthopedic surgery as soon as possible for any patients to be admitted or patients who will require in ED consultation, but do not delay block placement.

## **Block after Consultation**

- Humeral shaft fracture
- Elbow fracture
- Both bone forearm fracture
- Femoral shaft fracture

Perform and document detailed neurologic exam and consult with orthopedic service before block is placed.

## No Block

#### High risk for compartment syndrome

- Tibial fracture
- High emergency forearm fracture
- High Energy foot fracture
- Any injury with evidence of neurovascular injury or clinical concern for a possible compartment syndrome

Perform block only after requested by Trauma and Orthopedic service attending.

## Universal precautions

- Appropriate splinting, protection, icing of any injured extremity.
- Appropriate analogsic administration.
- Block placement should not delay other time sensitive interventions.
- Appropriate consideration of and patient discussion of the risks and benefits of any block.
- Documentation of consent.
- · Thorough, detailed, and appropriately documented neurologic exam before block is performed.
- · Thorough, detailed, and appropriately documented compartment exam before block is performed.
- Safe and sterile procedural technique appropriately documented including but not limited to: pre-procedure timeout with confirmation correct patient, indication, and side; appropriate patient monitoring; use of real-time ultrasound-guidance with avoidance of needle to nerve contact and vascular puncture; aspiration and small volume (3-5mL) injection of appropriately dosed local anesthetic.
- · Presence of necessary resuscitation equipment and intralipid in case of local anesthetic toxicity reaction.
- Clear marking of blocked extremity and documentation of block details in the medical record.
- Verbal communication of block details with participating clinical teams prior to discharge or transfer from ED.
- Appropriate post block care of weakened or insensate extremity to prevent falls and limb injury.

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# **Common Medication Doses**

Drug	ED Dosing	Prescription Dosing	
Analgesia			
Tylenol	500mg-1g po	500mg q6 prn	
Aspirin	324mg po	81mg qday	
Ibuprofen	200-800mg po	800mg q8 prn	
Tramadol	50-100mg po	50mg q6h prn	
Toradol	15mg IM/IV		
Ketamine	0.1mg/kg x3 OR		
	0.3mg/kg x1 IV		
Narcotic			
Morphine	0.1mg/kg IV		
Fentanyl	1mcg/kg IV		
Hydromorphone	0.01mg/kg IM/IV		
Oxycodone	5-10mg po	5-10mg q6h prn	
Oxy/APAP	5/325 1-2tab po	5/325 1-2tab po	
(Percocet)		q6h prn	
Hydro/APAP	10/325 1 tab	10/325 1 tab	
(Norco/Vicodin)		q6h prn	
Anxiolysis/Sedativ	ve		
Midazolam	1-5mg IV		
Lorazepam	1mg po 1mgIV	0.5mg BID prn	
Antiemetic			
Ondansetron	4-8mg po/IM/IV	(ODT) 4mg q6hprn	
Phenergan	12.5mgIV/25mgIM	25mg q6h prn	
Compazine	10mg IV		
Agitation/Delerium			
Ziprazodone	10-20mg IM		
Haloperidol	5mg IM/IV		
Olanzipine	5-10mg SL/IM		
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# Analgesia and Opiate alternatives O 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 No Pain Mild Moderate Severe Very Severe Worst Pain Possible O 1-3 4-6 7-9 10

- Attempt to address your patient's pain from the start and reassess often.
- 1) Back pain: mainstay is NSAIDs alternating with Tylenol, consider Flexeril or Valium, lidoderm patches, trigger point injection.
- 2) Migraine: Compazine/Reglan + Toradol +/- Benadryl. Also can consider: IVF, IV Magnesium, IV Decadron, IV Haldol, Valproic Acid, Intranasal Lidocaine, Occipital nerve block, Triptans (avoid in pts with atherosclerosis/CAD), DHE (with neurology input)
- 3) Chronic abdominal pain: Tylenol, NSAIDs, Bentyl (with IBS-like symptoms), pain dose IV ketamine, gabapentin
- 4) Renal Colic: IV Toradol, IV Tylenol, opioids second line
- 5) Dental pain: AVOID narcotics! Instead, Tylenol + ibuprofen, dental blocks, topical lidocaine/benzocaine, dental box (calcium hydroxide paste, etc.)
- 6) Acute Fractures: not the time to avoid narcotics if hemodynamically stable and appropriate mental status. Also utilize pain dose ketamine if VS permit.

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# **Antibiotics**

	Source	Inpatient	Outpatient	
Soft Tissue	Cellulitis 1) uncomplicated	Ancef 2g q8h or Vanc 15mg/kg	Cephalexin 500mg QID x5-10d + Bactrim DS 2 tab BID x5-10d (IF	
	2) DM/large area/ ill/CDU/admit	Unasyn 3g or Zosyn (CrCl based) +/- Vanc 15mg/kg	allergy: Clindamycin 450mg q8h x5-10d)	
	3) Nec Fasc/ Fournier's	Clindamycin+Vanc+Zosyn		
Pulmonary	Pneumonia (CAP)	1) Ceftriaxone 1-2g QD IV +Azithromycin 500mg QD IV or Doxycycline 100mg BID IV OR 2) Levofloxacin 750mg QD IV *add vanc or linezolid if MRSA RFs *add cefepime if Psuedo RFs	1) Azith 500mg x1d, 250mg QD x4d + Amoxicillin 1 g PO TID x 7d OR 2) Doxycycline 100mg q12h x7d OR 3) Levofloxacin 750mg QD x5d	
	Pneumonia (HAP/ VAP)	1) Vanc 15mg/kg IV + Cefepime 2g IV or zosyn (CrCl based) +Tobramycin 5-7mg/kg IV	-	
_	COPD Exacerbation	1) Azithomycin 500mg IVx1, 250mg QDx4d IV	Azith 500mg x1d,250mg QD x4d	
ENT	Orbital Cellulitis/ Pre-septal Cel- Iulitis	1) Vancomycin 15mg/kg qd IV +Unasyn 3g q6h or Zosyn IV q8h or Ceftriaxone 2g qd IV	(Pre-septal only) 1)Augmentin 875mg po BID x10-14d + Bactrim DS x1 TID OR 2) Clindamycin 300mg po QID x10-14d	
	Pharyngitis	Bicillin 1.2million U IM x1 or Clindamycin 300-450mg po TID x14d or Amox 500mg PO BID x 10d (avoid azithro)		
	AOM	Amoxicillin 500mg po q12h or Augmentin 500mg po q12h		
AOE Ciprodex 3gtt q12h or Polysporia			rin 5gtt q6h	

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	Source	Inpatient	Outpatient	
	Corneal Abrasion	Erythromycin Opht q6h or Moxifloxacin 0.5% 2 gtt q2h (if contact user)		
	Pyelonephritis	Ceftriaxone 1g qd IV or Levofloxacin 750mg qd IV		
	Cervicitis	Ceftriaxone 250mg IMx1 + Azithromycin 1g po x1 +/- Metronidazole 2g po x1		
U	PID	cefotetan 2g q12h IV + Doxy- cycline 100mg po BID	Ceftriaxone 250mg IM x1+Doxycycline 100mg po BID x 14d +/- Metronidazole 500mg po BID x14d	
0	Epididymitis	1) if < 35y - Doxycycline 100mg po BID x14d + Ceftriaxone 250mg IM x1 2) if >35y - Ciprofloxacin 500mg po BID x14d		
	UTI - (look for old cx sensitivities)	Cephalexin 500mg BID x7d or Nitrofurantoin 100mg po BID x7d or 1g ceftriaxone + [Bactrim 1 DS BID or Ciprofloxa- cin 500mg qd x5d (if not pregnant)]		
	Diverticulitis	1) Zosyn IV (CrCl based) OR 2) Cipro 400mg IV q12 + Metronidazole 500mg IV q8	Metronidazole 500mg po q6h + Ciprofloxacin 750mg po q12h	
Abdominal	Appendicitis	1) Zosyn 4.5g IV q6h OR 2) Metronidazole 500mg q8h IV + Ciprofloxacin 400mg IV q12h		
bdo	Cholecystitis/ Cholangitis	Unasyn 3g IV q6h or Meropenem 500mg q8h		
A	SBP	Ceftriaxone 1g qd IV or Levofloxacin 750mg qd IV		
Neuro	Meningitis	Vancomycin 20mg/kg IV + Ceftriaxone 2g IV +/- Acyclovir 10mg/kg if HSV concern +/- Amp 2g q6h IV if Listeria concern (>50yo)		
Onc	Malignancy with SIRS	Cefepime 2g q8h IV or Zosyn (CrCl based) + Vanc if MRSA RFs		

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## **Droperidol: Use and Indications**

#### Mechanism of action:

Droperidol is considered a first generation antipsychotic; a butyrophenone with primarily dopaminergic action as a D2 receptor antagonist

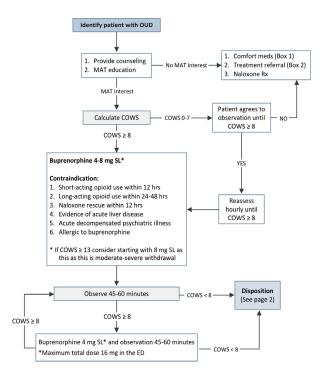
Most common indications for use/doses: Nausea/vomiting (0.625-1.25mg IV) Migraine (0.625-1.25mg IV) Acute agitation (5-10mg IM)

Side effects to consider: Extrapyramidal effects Sedation Hypotension QTC prolongation

Use with caution in patients with:
Congested heart failure, bradycardia, cardiac hypertrophy
Electrolyte derangmenets such as hypokalemia/hypomagnesemia
Use of other QT prolonging medications
Elderly; age >65
Alcohol abuse

## Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) in Opioid Use Disorder

#### Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)

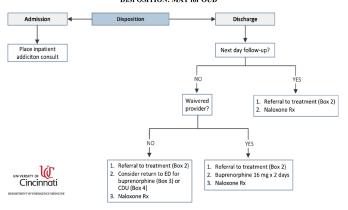




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## Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) in Opioid Use Disorder

#### DISPOSITION: MAT for OUD



#### Box 1: Comfort Medications\*

Clonidine 0.1-0.2mg PO q8hr PRN (Hold for SBP <90) for restlessness Naproxen 500 mg PO Q12 PRN for Myalgia Ondansetron 4-8mg PO Q8hr PRN for Nausea

\*The choice of medications for patients being discharged from the ED or other acute care settings must be considered for the risk/benefit profile of each individual.

#### Box 3: Return ED Visit for Re-dosing (72 hour rule)

- Consider when unable to establish appointment within 24 hours of ED visit.
- Consider for patients seen on Saturday, as no MAT providers can provide Sunday appointments.
- 3. Alternatively, can consider CDU admission (see Box 4)
- 4. Maximum total dose 16mg per day for non-waivered providers
- Maximum of 3 total days of treatment PER PATIENT not PER PROVIDER

#### Box 4: CDU

- 1. See CDU protocol on TamingTheSRU
- Consider CDU when unable to establish appointment within 24 hours of ED visit.
- Consider CDU for patients seen on Saturday, as no MAT providers can provide Sunday appointments.

#### Box 2: Referral options\*

\* EIP can be called for risk-reduction counseling, linkage to care, and addiction services.

#### 1. UC Addiction Sciences:

- A. Epic order of "Chem Dependency Amb Referral", which will generate a referral for the patient will be followed up by UC Addiction Services.
- B. UC Addiction Services is available Mon-Fri 7:30AM 9:00AM for walk in appointments at Suite 202, 3131 Harvey Avenue, Cincinnati, OH. Addiction services must be notified of appointment at 513-585-9722. Leave a message after hours.

## 2. If unable or unwilling to attend UC addiction sciences, other MAT providers below

- A. Brightview 24/7 hotline: patients call 513-834-7063, providers call 513-873-1218
- B. Talbert Engagement Center 24/7: Call 513-338-8738; Patient must provide discharge papers to Talbert with MAT administration time documented. WEEKENDS: Will require patient commitment to stay as inpatient until Monday morning, MAT will be provided until formal assessment.
- C. Center for Addiction Treatment: Call 513-381-6672
- 3. All referrals must be documented in Provider Note and Discharge Instructions

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# 2020-2021 UCEM Call List

## Support

## Pharmacy

ED Pharmacist 688-5479 ED Pharmacy 584-1680 Main Pharmacy 584-6337 On-Call 343-5412

Social Work ED SW 584-4201 Michelle 584-7758 Denise 584-7313 ODA 584-4514

Psych

PES MD 584-7792 RT 688-5467 PSW Pager 230-2113 RT 688-5468 PSW Phone 584-8589

Radiology X-ray Tech 584-5845

ĆT Tech 584-1971 Main CT 584-0610 MRI Tech 584-1095 Echo/Vasc 584-5148 ÚS OB 502-8694 Nuc Med 584-2287 Stress Lab 584-3057

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READING ROOM: Main 584-2788 US 584-3893

Overhead 3721 | Bed Board 584-4740

## Help

Security 584-1111 Fire 584-3333 Epic Help 585-6972 EVS 584-4869 Needlestick 584-7849 Interpreter 855-448-4332 Brace Shop 421-5653

# Lab

ED Lab 584-1613 Main Lab 584-3700 Blood Bank 584-7888

## Research

EIP 584-0720 Research 688-5405 688-5406

# Consults

## ICU Fellows

NSICU Fellow 688-5836 CVICU Fellow 688-5217 MICU Fellow 688-5655

DPIC 584-5111

TRAUMA 584-4444

**OB** EMERGENCY PEDS CODE

CATH LAB

CCAT (ECMO) 515-1214

844-7686 STROKE TEAM

## **OBGYN**

Attending 325-0304 Chief (R4) 967-9187 L&D (R3) 967-8202 Triage (R2) 967-3024 ED (R2) 256-2434

## **Device Reps**

Medtronic 800-633-8766 Biotronik 800-547-0394 BostonScientific 800-227-3422

## ED Numbers

## A-Pod Attending 584-2636 R3 688-5033 R2 688-5032 HUC 584-8148 Nursing A1 688-5006

HUC 584-8160 Mursing A2 688-5007 B1 688-5010 AF 688-5008 B2 688-5011 D1 688-5017 BF 688-5018 D2 688-5018 PCA 688-5319 PCA 688-5320

**B-Pod** 

R1 688-5031

R1 688-5035

R4 688-5034

## C-Pod

Attending 688-5013 Attending 688-5013 688-5031 R1 688-5035 R4 688-5034

Mursing Č1 688-5014 C2 688-5015 CF 688-5016

PCA 688-5320 ED US 584-8469

## I-Pod/CDU

Nursing

Attending 688-5317 Pit Doc 688-5009 I Pod APP 688-5021 I Pod Resident 688-5318 CDU APP 688-5372

> 11 688-5019 12 688-5020 PCA 688-5321

## Charge & SRU

Charge 688-5026 SRUT 688-5022 SRIJ 2 688-5023 Medic 688-5024

# AirCare

Dispatch 584-2273