

# **Pediatric Post Resuscitation**

#### History

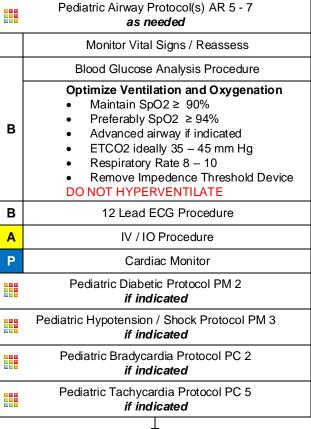
- Respiratory arrest
- Cardiac arrest

## Signs/Symptoms

Return of pulse

### **Differential**

 Continue to address specific differentials associated with the original dysrhythmia



Hypotension Age Based

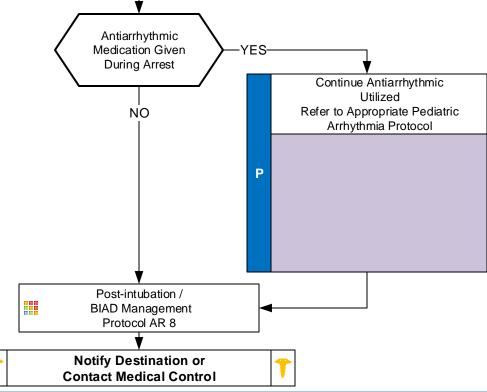
**0 – 31 Days** < 60 mmHg

1 Month to 1 Year < 70 mmHg

<u>> than 1 Year</u> < 70 + ( 2 x age) mmHg

Arrhythmias are common and usually self limiting after ROSC

If Arrhythmia Persists follow Rhythm Appropriate Protocol



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#### **Pearls**

- Recommended Exam: Mental Status, Neck, Skin, Lungs, Heart, Abdomen, Extremities, Neuro
- Goals of care are to preserve neurologic function, prevent secondary organ damage, treat the underlying cause of illness, and optimize prehospital care. Frequent reassessment is necessary.
- Hyperventilation is a significant cause of hypotension / recurrence of cardiac arrest in post resuscitation phase and must be avoided.
- Target oxygenation to ≥ 94 %. 100 % FiO2 is not necessary, titrate oxygen accordingly.
- EtCO2 should be continually monitored with advanced airway in place.
- Administer resuscitation fluids and vasopressor agents to maintain SBP at targets listed on page 1. This table represents minimal SBP targets.
- Targeted Temperature Management is recommended in pediatrics, but prehospital use is not associated with improved outcomes. Transport to facility capable of intensive pediatric care.
- Antiarrhythmic agents:

Adenosine: First dose: 0.1 mg / kg (Maximum 6 mg) Second dose: 0.2 mg / kg (Maximum 12 mg)

Amiodarone 5 mg / kg IV / IO (single dose Maximum 300 mg). May repeat x 2 to a Maximum of 15 mg / kg.

Lidocaine 1 mg / kg IV / IO. Infusion 20 – 50 mcg / kg / min. If infusion is initiated > 15 minutes from first bolus, repeat 0.5 mg / kg bolus.

Magnesium Sulfate 40 mg / kg IV / IO over 10 – 20 minutes. In Torsades de pointes give over 1 – 2 minutes. Maximum 2 g.

Procainamide 15 mg / kg IV / IO over 30 - 60 minutes. Monitor for increased QRS and increased QT.

Vasopressor agents:

Dopamine 2 - 20 mcg / kg / min IV / IO

Epinephrine 0.1 – 1 mcg / kg / min IV / IO

Norepinephrine 0.1 - 2 mcg / kg / min IV / IO

Dose Calculation: mL / hour = kg x dose(mcg / kg / min) x 60 (min / hr) / concentration (mcg / mL)

- If pediatric weight is known, use in drug and fluid calculations. Use actual body weight for calculating initial medication dosages. If
  unknown then use a body length tape system.
- Appropriate post-resuscitation management may best be planned in consultation with medical control.