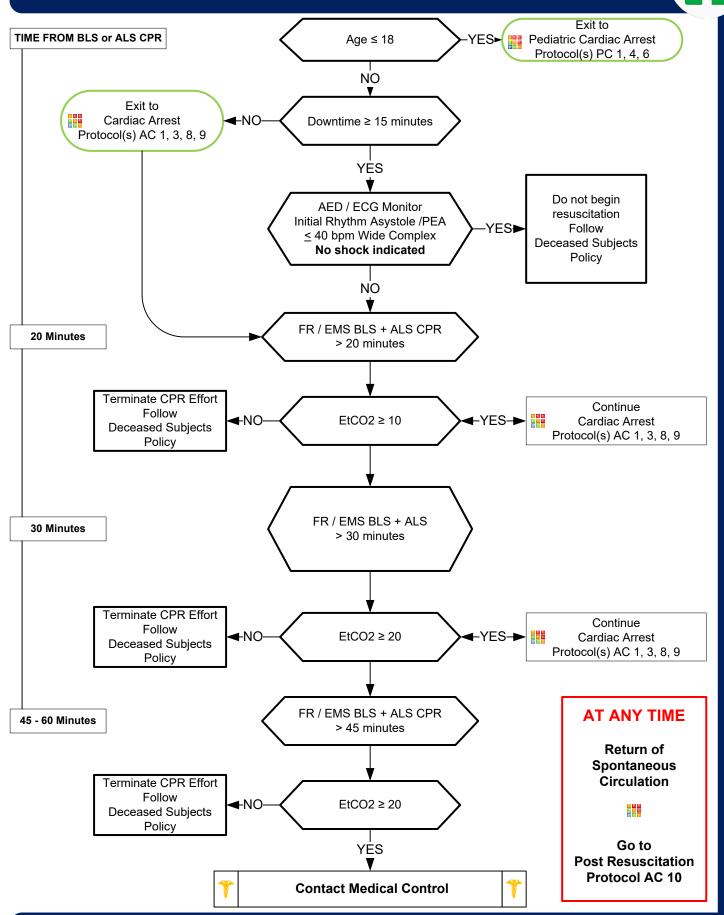
## On Scene Resuscitation Termination of CPR



## **Adult Cardiac Protocol Section**

## On Scene Resuscitation / Termination of CPR



- \* Early Transport to closet most appropriate medical facility should be initiated if the patients cardiac rhythm is identified as PEA along with any of the following situations:
  - \* ROSC obtained at any time
  - \* Any shockable rhythm was identified during care
  - \* Witnessed Cardiac Arrest (Bystander or Provider)
  - Any Pediatric Patient (≤ 18 years of age)
  - Provider Discretion
  - Narrow Complex PEA > 40 bpm with EtCO2 ≥ 20mmHg
- Consider Listening with Stethoscope Apically if, Narrow Complex PEA and appropriate EtCO2 readings.
  - \* If Heart Sounds are present, consider vasopressors and transport immediately.

## **Pearls**

- \* General approach:
  - 1. Determine if a terminal disease is involved?
  - 2. Is there an advanced directive such as a DNR / MOST form?
  - 3. Did the patient express to your historian any desires regarding resuscitation and if so what measures?
  - 4. Remember a living will is not a DNR.
- \* Obtain a history while resuscitation efforts are ongoing. Determine the most legitimate person on scene as your information source such as a spouse, child, or sibling or Durable Health Care Power of Attorney.
- Basic and Advanced Life Support may use for treatment decisions.