

TREATMENT:

- A. Treat per Universal Patient Care.
- B. **Contact OLMC** for consideration of **Nitroglycerin 5 mcg/min IV** (NTG 0.4 mg SL if IV is not an option)
 - Hypertensive Crisis =
Systolic BP > 220mmHg; Diastolic BP > 130 mmHg and symptoms of end organ compromise, i.e. CHF, Pulmonary Edema, unstable angina, changes in mental status, CNS changes and renal disease.

KEY CONSIDERATIONS:

The overall goal in pharmacologic therapy is to reduce the patient's blood pressure slowly.