TREATMENT:

- A. Assess scene safety and use appropriate personal protective equipment.
- B. Begin initial patient assessment, determine chief complaint and obtain GCS.
- C. Secure airway and start oxygen as needed per General Airway Management protocol.
- D. Monitor vital signs and SpO2.
- E. Monitor ECG, 12 lead, ETCO2 and CBG as appropriate.
- F. Establish vascular access (IV or IO) as appropriate for patient's condition.
- G. Obtain pain severity scale if applicable.
- H. Follow appropriate Patient Care Treatment Protocol if patient's chief complaint or assessment findings change.

KEY CONSIDERATIONS:

If patient is unable to provide medical history, check for medical bracelets and necklaces which can provide critical medical information and treatment.

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT (BLS) GUIDELINES FOR SINGLE ROLE EMT'S

"Stable Patient" is a patient with the following criteria:

- 1. Has Vital signs in a normal range that are not changing significantly or expected to do so.
 - a. Pulse 50-120
 - b. Systolic Blood Pressure 90-190
 - c. Respirations between 10-29 breaths per minute
 - d. Room Air Oxygen Saturation 94% or above unless pt. is chronic COPD with normal Low SAO2
- 2. Does not, and is not expected to, require cardiac monitoring or ACLS procedures
- 3. Has a patent natural airway and is not in respiratory distress
- 4. Is not experiencing acute changes in level of consciousness

*Caveat: BLS may transport Code 3 when needed. If patient is an ALS patient for any reason and ALS is more than 5 minutes out, BLS unit will call for ALS intercept, ground or air, and begin transport Code 3 to the appropriate hospital. BLS unit may end up arriving at the hospital before ALS intercept occurs.

Exclusion Criteria to normal BLS transports:

- Vital Signs outside the above parameters
- Any overdose with known ingestion is required to be transported by ALS Medic.
- Any Stable Patient may be transported by an ALS Medic at the discretion of any RFR FF member.
- Any first time seizure.

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Approved Medications

Medications given by RFR paramedics and transported by BLS crew are limited to:

- Oxygen
- ASA
- Albuterol only (not DuoNeb)
- Naloxone

^{*}A follow up assessment must be administered if any medication stated above is given, prior to transport. (V/S, CBG, lung sounds)*