

BLS modifications for ALL patients during the COVID-19 pandemic

LOOK for absence of signs of life, absence of normal breathing

DO NOT listen or feel for breathing by placing face close to patient's mouth
AVOID bag mask ventilation

Early rhythm check in AED mode
STOP O₂ flow at wall (do not remove mask)
Re-start O₂ flow when compressions start

Basic Life Support

D

Dangers?

R

Responsive?

S

Send for help

A

Open Airway

B

Normal Breathing?

C

Start CPR

100-120 compressions/minute

D

Attach Defibrillator (AED)

as soon as available, follow prompts

Continue CPR until responsiveness or normal breathing return

Check COVID status and don PPE as required
Minimise responders to essential staff only

NO airway adjuncts
Apply O₂ @ 10L/min via Hudson mask

COMPRESSION ONLY CPR
until code response team arrives

