Hillsborough County Fire Rescue STANDING ORDERS AND PROTOCOL

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Subject: Poisonous Stings and Bites

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Basic ALS Treatments

- 2. Specific ALS treatments:
 - a. Keep the patient calm and immobilize the limb parallel to the heart.
 - b. Contact Poison Control (1-800-222-1222) for ALL poisonous stings and bites.
 - i. Contact Medic-1 for recommendations from Poison Control not covered by HCFR policy.
 - c. Apply a constricting band only if the victim or a bystander has applied a tourniquet.
 - i. In that case, place a constricting band two (2) inches above the tourniquet and then remove the tourniquet.
- 3. Treat anaphylaxis as per appropriate HCFR PEDIATRIC ANAPHYLAXIS protocol.
- 4. Treat seizures as per appropriate HCFR PEDIATRIC SEIZURES protocol.
- 5. Treat pain as per appropriate HCFR PAIN MANAGEMENT protocol.
- 6. Do not apply ice or cold packs unless otherwise directed by Poison Control.
- 7. If the source of the envenomation cannot be positively identified, HCFR personnel may attempt to bring the offending animal or insect to the receiving facility, but only if in doing so it will not put responders or receiving facility personnel at risk. In this day and age, an image would be an acceptable substitute.