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1. Basic BLS treatments
2. Keep the patient calm and immobilize the limb.
3. Apply constricting band **only** if the victim or a bystander has applied a tourniquet
 - a. Place constricting band two (2) inches above the tourniquet and then remove the tourniquet.
4. Treat allergic reaction or anaphylaxis as per **HCFR ANAPHYLAXIS/ALLERGIC REACTION** protocol
5. Treat seizures as per **HCFR SEIZURE** protocol
6. Some poisonous stings and bites may cause a significant amount of pain for the patient:
 - a. If the patient is in significant discomfort, request ALS for pain management if they can arrive at the patient before the patient would otherwise arrive at a receiving facility.
7. Do not apply ice or cold pack to bites or stings.
8. ALS evaluation/transport criteria:
 - a. Any patient with signs and symptoms of an allergic reaction or anaphylaxis shall receive a paramedic evaluation.
 - b. Any patient suffering a seizure secondary to a sting or bite shall be ALS.