Acute Coronary Syndrome

TRIAGE with FOCUSED HISTORY Chest/arm/jaw pain Exertional component Risk factors: known CAD, age, smoking, DM, family hx Low risk Low risk EKG and troponins Observe/admit Negative work up EKG and troponins

Discharge
Outpatient stress test

Treatment

- Angiogram with PCI (or tPA)
- Therapeutic Heparin or Lovenox
- DAPT (Aspirin, Plavix) even without PCI. Use Plavix after need for CABG is rule out.
- Other meds: MONA BASH
 - ACE-I / ARB
 - Nitrate
 - Beta-Blocker
 - Morphine
 - 02
 - Statin (for secondary prevention)

Cardiologist's Mindset

- Coronary angiogram (PCI of culprit lesion)
- Echocardiogram (identify damaged regions)
- Monitor for Arrhythmias

CABG

Indications for CABG:

- Triple Vessel Disease
- Left main disease
- Anatomical abnormality (poor PCI candidate)

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