San Mateo County Emergency Medical Services

Guide to Protocol Utilization

History
- Important history items
- Circumstances of event
- SAMPLE
- Time of onset
- Duration

Signs and Symptoms
- Important signs and symptoms specific to each protocol

Differential
- A list of other diseases or injuries that should be considered

BLACK BOX

Highlights important information

G01 General – Routine Medical Care Protocol

Will be used on all patients and will not appear on individual protocols

RED BOX

Highlights critical information

May direct to another protocol

Indicates entry/exit from/to another protocol(s) – *color coordinated with category*

Signals protocol within a protocol

Information box

Decision Point
Darker outline to highlight

System of Care notification

Teal Shading
Specialty hospital information and alerting when criteria are met

Red Shading of Information Box
Medication (Bolded) Contraindicated
Base contact advised if you want to administer

Gray Shading of Information Box
Medication (Bolded) Administration
Dosages found on SMC Drug Card
Normal face provides guidance if present

Orange Shading of Information Box
Indicates transport decision based boxes that may not be to the closest hospital

EMS Provider Legend	
R	Emergency Medical Responder
L	Law Enforcement Officer
E	Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)
O	EMT Optional Scope
P	Paramedic

Notification and Medical Direction Legend
Notify receiving facility. Consider Base Hospital for medical direction

Pearls
- Important information specific to each protocol will appear here.
- Will usually appear on last page of specific protocol.
- Important exam items listed here specific to the protocol.

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Treatment Protocol G00