

Behavioral Emergencies	
ADULT	PEDIATRIC
BLS Procedures	
Administer oxygen as indicated	
ALS Standing Orders	
IV/IO Access	IV/IO Access
For Extreme Agitation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midazolam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ IM – 0.2 mg/kg, Max 10 mg ○ IV / IO – 0.1 mg/kg, Max 4 mg 	For Extreme Agitation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midazolam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ IM – 0.1 mg/kg, Max 5 mg ○ IV / IO – 0.1 mg/kg, Max 4 mg
Base Hospital Orders only	
Consult with ED Physician for further treatment measures	
Additional Information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If patient refuses care and transport, and that refusal is because of “mental disorder”, consider having patient taken into custody according to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5150 or 5585 “Mental disorders” do not generally include alcohol or drug intoxication, brain injury, hypoxemia, hypoglycemia, or similar causes. • Consider and treat other possible causes (traumatic or medical). • Use of restraints (physical or therapeutic) shall be documented and monitored in accordance with VCEMS policy 732. • Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5585: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Known as the Children’s Civil Commitment and Mental Health Treatment Act of 1988, a minor patient may be taken into custody because of a mental disorder, if there is a danger to self and others or is gravely disabled. A California peace officer, a California licensed psychiatrist in an approved facility, Ventura County Health Officer, or other County-designated individuals, can take the individual into custody, but it must be enforced by the police in the field. • Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5150: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A patient may be taken into custody because of a mental disorder, if there is a danger to self and others or is gravely disabled. A California peace officer, a California licensed psychiatrist in an approved facility, Ventura County Health Officer, or other County-designated individuals, can take the individual into custody, but it must be enforced by the police in the field. • All patients shall be transported to the most accessible Emergency Department for medical clearance prior to admission to a psychiatric facility. 	
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