

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

**Treatment Protocol: PROVIDER IMPRESSIONS**

**Ref. No. 1200.3**

**GENERAL RULES:**

1. This is a list of all the provider impressions (PI) in alphabetical order by PI name.
2. The following columns list the associated Treatment Protocol (TP) name and number. Use the corresponding “\_\_-P” protocol if patient ≤ 14 years of age.
3. The last column provides guideline about the use of the PI.

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Abdominal Pain/Problems (GI/GU)	ABOP	GI/GU Emergencies	1205 1205-P	For any pain or problem in the abdominal/flank region that does not have a more specific PI, includes post-surgical complications.
Airway Obstruction/Choking	CHOK	Airway Obstruction	1234 1234-P	For any upper airway emergency including choking, foreign body, swelling, stridor, croup, and obstructed tracheostomy
Alcohol Intoxication	ETOH	Overdose/ Poisoning/Ingestion	1241 1241-P	For alcohol intoxication if it is the primary problem. Use of secondary PI if the patient has another acute emergency.
Allergic Reaction	ALRX	Allergy	1219 1219-P	For any simple allergic reaction that is isolated to the skin (hives/ urticarial only) and does not meet definition of anaphylaxis
ALOC - Not Hypoglycemia or Seizure	ALOC	ALOC	1229 1229-P	For altered mental status not attributed to a more specific PI (i.e., cause unknown). Use as secondary PI when cause known.
Anaphylaxis	ANPH	Allergy	1219 1219-P	For anaphylaxis.
Behavioral/ Psychiatric Crisis	PSYC	Behavioral/ Psychiatric Crisis	1209 1209-P	For psychiatric crisis that is the primary problem. NOT for anxiety/agitation secondary to medical etiology – use PI related to medical issue.
Body Pain – Non Traumatic	BPNT	General Medical	1202 1202-P	For pain not related to trauma that is not localized to chest, abdomen, head, or extremity.
BRUE	BRUE	BRUE	1235-P	For a brief resolved unexplained event (BRUE). Patient must be ≤12 months of age and back to baseline on assessment.
Burns	BURN	Burns	1220 1220-P	For any burn injury to skin. For inhalation injury use PI Inhalation Injury. Use with PI Traumatic Injury if other trauma present.
Carbon Monoxide	COMO	Carbon Monoxide Exposure	1238 1238-P	For suspected or known carbon monoxide exposure.
Cardiac Arrest – Non-traumatic	CANT	Cardiac Arrest	1210 1210-P	For non-traumatic cardiac arrest in which any resuscitation is initiated, NOT dead on arrival.
Cardiac Dysrhythmia	DYSR	Cardiac Dysrhythmia –	1212 1212-P	For any bradycardic rhythm <60bpm.

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		Bradycardia		
Cardiac Dysrhythmia	DYSR	Cardiac Dysrhythmia – Tachycardia	1213 1213-P	For any tachydysrhythmia and for sinus tachycardia (ST) of unclear etiology. NOT for ST secondary to known cause – use more specific PI (e.g., Fever)
Chest Pain – Not Cardiac	CPNC	General Medical	1202 1202-P	For musculoskeletal and pleuritic pain and any chest pain that is NOT of possible cardiovascular etiology.
Chest Pain – STEMI	CPMI	Cardiac Chest Pain	1211	For any suspected STEMI, with or without chest pain.
Chest Pain – Suspected Cardiac	CPSC	Cardiac Chest Pain	1211	For any chest pain/symptom that is of possible cardiovascular etiology but NOT STEMI (e.g., NSTEMI, pericarditis, dissection).
Childbirth (Mother)	BRTH	Childbirth (Mother)	1215 1215-P	For delivery or imminent delivery of a fetus beyond the first trimester (12 weeks). For <12 weeks use PI Pregnancy Complications.
Cold / Flu Symptoms	COFL	General Medical	1202 1202-P	For minor respiratory illness in a patient without shortness of breath or wheezing; must have normal respiratory rate and O <sub>2</sub> sat (if available).
Diarrhea	DRHA	GI/GU Emergencies	1205 1205-P	For diarrhea without bleeding. NOT for melena, use PI Upper GI Bleeding.
Dizziness/Vertigo	DIZZ	Dizziness/Vertigo	1230 1230-P	For lightheadedness or vertigo, without syncope.
DOA – Obvious Death	DEAD	Cardiac Arrest	1210 1210-P	For non-traumatic cardiac arrest found dead on arrival such that no resuscitation is initiated.
Dystonic Reaction	DYRX	Dystonic Reaction	1239 1239-P	For suspected dystonic reaction (i.e., reaction, typically from antipsychotic medications, causing abnormal contraction of head and neck muscles.)
Electrocution	ELCT	Electrocution	1221 1221-P	For any electrocution injury.
ENT / Dental Emergencies	ENTP	ENT / Dental Emergencies	1226 1226-P	For a problem located in the ear, nose, throat area, except NOT epistaxis – use PI Epistaxis, NOT airway obstruction – use PI Airway Obstruction.
Epistaxis	NOBL	ENT / Dental Emergencies	1226 1226-P	For any bleeding from the nares.
Extremity Pain/ Swelling – Non- Traumatic	EXNT	General Medical	1202 1202-P	For pain, swelling, or other non-traumatic problem of an extremity, includes rashes and non-traumatic bleeding (e.g., varicose vein bleed).
Eye Problem – Unspecified	EYEP	Eye Problem	1228 1228-P	For any pain or problem of the eye or periorbital region, use with PI Traumatic Injury if a traumatic mechanism.
Fever	FEVR	Fever	1204 1204-P	For reported or tactile fever that is NOT suspected sepsis. For sepsis use PI Sepsis.

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Genitourinary Disorder – Unspecified	GUDO	GI/GU Emergencies	1205 1205-P	For urinary or genital related complaints, or for sexual assault, except NOT vaginal bleeding – use PI Vaginal Bleeding, NOT trauma-related – use PI Traumatic Injury.
HazMat Exposure	DCON	HAZMAT	1240 1240-P	For any hazardous material (chemical) exposure. May use with another PI (e.g., Inhalation Injury or Burns) when applicable.
Headache – Non-Traumatic	HPNT	General Medical	1202 1202-P	For non-traumatic headache or head pain.
Hyperglycemia	HYPR	Diabetic Emergencies	1203 1203-P	For patients with primary concern for hyperglycemia and/or associated symptoms (blurred vision, frequent urination or thirst) without more specific PI and those requiring field treatment. DO NOT list for incidental finding of hyperglycemia related to another illness.
Hypertension	HYTN	General Medical	1202 1202-P	For patients with primary concern for hypertension without symptoms related to a more specific PI. For symptomatic patients, use related PI as primary (e.g., Headache – Non-traumatic) and Hypertension as secondary. DO NOT list for incidental finding of hypertension.
Hyperthermia	HEAT	Hyperthermia (Environmental)	1222 1222-P	For environmental exposure causing hyperthermia, e.g., heat exhaustion and heat stroke, drugs may also be a contributing factor.
Hypoglycemia	HYPO	Diabetic Emergencies	1203 1203-P	For glucose <60mg/dL.
Hypotension	HOTN	Shock / Hypotension	1207 1207-P	For SBP <90mmHg in adults or below normal for size per 1309 in children with transient low BP or rapidly responds to fluid resuscitation and without signs of shock.
Hypothermia / Cold Injury	COLD	Hypothermia / Cold Injury	1223 1223-P	For environmental exposures causing hypothermia and/or frostbite injury.
Inhalation Injury	INHL	Inhalation Injury	1236 1236-P	For any signs/symptoms related to inhaling a gas or substance other than smoke or carbon monoxide.
Lower GI Bleeding	LOGI	GI/GU Emergencies	1205 1205-P	For bleeding from the rectum and/or bright red bloody stools.
Medical Device Malfunction – Fail	FAIL	Medical Device Malfunction	1206 1206-P	For a medical device that fails, including VADs, insulin pumps, and shunts. Usually for internal devices, may be used for vent failure if patient is asymptomatic. For symptomatic patients, use PI related to symptoms (e.g., Automated Internal Defibrillator firing – use PI associated with complaint such as Cardiac Dysrhythmia – Tachycardia).

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Nausea / Vomiting	NAVM	GI/GU Emergencies	1205 1205-P	For any nausea or vomiting without blood. Not for adverse reaction to opiate administration by EMS, manage with primary PI/TP.
Newborn	BABY	Newborn/Neonatal	1216-P	For any newborn deliveries in the field.
No Medical Complaint	NOMC	Assessment	1201	For patients without any medical, psychiatric or traumatic complaint and no signs of illness on assessment. Usually reserved for non- transports.
Overdose/ Poisoning/Ingestion	ODPO	Overdose/ Poisoning/ Ingestion	1241 1241-P	For any intentional or unintentional overdose/poisoning by any route, includes illicit substances and prescription medications, overdose and/or adverse reactions.
Palpitations	PALP	General Medical	1202 1202-P	For any patient complaint of palpitations (e.g., rapid heart rate beat, skipped beats, chest fluttering) with normal rate and rhythm on the ECG.
Pregnancy Complications	PREG	Pregnancy Complication	1217 1217-P	For any pregnancy-related condition that is not labor. Includes vaginal bleeding in pregnancy, hypertension, and complications of delivery.
Pregnancy / Labor	LABR	Pregnancy Labor	1218 1218-P	For contractions without imminent childbirth.
Respiratory Arrest / Failure	RARF	Respiratory Distress	1237 1237-P	For patients requiring positive-pressure ventilation and/or hypoxia despite 100% oxygen.
Respiratory Distress / Bronchospasm	SOBB	Respiratory Distress	1237 1237-P	For COPD/asthma exacerbations and any bronchospasms/wheezing not from pulmonary edema.
Respiratory Distress / Other	RDOT	Respiratory Distress	1237 1237-P	For patients with pulmonary disease that is not edema or bronchospasm, includes suspected pneumonia, PE, pneumothorax and non-pulmonary and unknown causes of respiratory distress.
Respiratory Distress / Pulmonary Edema / CHF	CHFF	Pulmonary Edema / CHF	1214	For congestive heart failure exacerbation.
Seizure – Active	SEAC	Seizure	1231 1231-P	For seizure witnessed by EMS, whether treated or not.
Seizure – Postictal	SEPI	Seizure	1231 1231-P	For any seizure that stopped prior to EMS arrival and there is no further seizure activity during EMS contact.
Sepsis	SEPS	Fever / Sepsis	1204 1204-P	For patients with suspected sepsis (i.e., signs suggestive of sepsis including fever, tachycardia, suspected infection).

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Severe Agitation with ALOC	SAAL	Behavioral/ Psychiatric Crisis	1209 1209-P	Severe agitation with altered mental status due to suspected psychiatric and/or substance-related cause that prevents critical EMS clinical evaluation and/or treatment and endangers the patient, EMS clinicians and/or bystanders.  NOT for anxiety/agitation secondary to medical etiology – use PI related to medical issue for medical agitation.
Shock	SHOK	Shock / Hypotension	1207 1207-P	For patients with poor perfusion not rapidly responsive to IV fluids.
Smoke Inhalation	SMOK	Inhalation Injury	1236 1236-P	For patients with smoke inhalation.
Stings / Venomous Bites	STNG	Stings / Venomous Bites	1224 1224-P	For snakes, scorpion, insects, and marine envenomations (stingrays, jelly fish). NOT for animal bites, use PI traumatic injury.
Stroke / CVA / TIA	STRK	Stroke / CVA / TIA	1232 1232-P	For suspected stroke or transient ischemic attack (stroke symptoms that resolve rapidly).
Submersion / Drowning	DRWN	Submersion	1225 1225-P	For any submersion injury, including drowning and dive (decompression) emergencies.
Syncope / Near Syncope	SYNC	Syncope / Near Syncope	1233 1233-P	For syncope (transient loss of consciousness). NOT for cardiac arrest, use PI Cardiac Arrest – Non-traumatic only.
Traumatic Arrest – Blunt	CABT	Traumatic Arrest	1243 1243-P	For cardiac arrest with blunt traumatic mechanism, including those declared deceased in the field by Ref. 814. NOT for trauma sustained after cardiac arrest, use PI Cardiac Arrest – Non- traumatic.
Traumatic Arrest – Penetrating	CAPT	Traumatic Arrest	1243 1243-P	For cardiac arrest with penetrating traumatic mechanism, including those declared deceased in the field by Ref. 814.
Traumatic Injury	TRMA	Traumatic Injury	1242 1242-P 1244 1244-P	For any trauma-related injury including crush injury and conducted electrical weapons (CEW). May use in addition to another PI when medical condition also present (e.g., for syncope with trauma – use PI Syncope and PI Traumatic Injury; for CEW use in patient with agitation – use PI Behavioral/Psychiatric Crisis or PI Severe Agitation with ALOC as appropriate, and also PI Traumatic Injury).
Upper GI Bleeding	UPGI	GI/GU Emergencies	1205 1205-P	For vomiting blood or coffee ground emesis, and for melena (i.e., black, tarry stools).
Vaginal Bleeding	VABL	GI/GU Emergencies	1205 1205-P	For vaginal bleeding in the NON-pregnant patient. For vaginal bleeding in pregnancy use PI Pregnancy Complications.

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Weakness – General	WEAK	General Weakness	1202 1202-P	For nonfocal weakness, general malaise, and any nonspecific 'sick' symptoms.