

PROCEDURES PROC-06

EXTERNAL PACING

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Indications:

- Bradycardia with hemodynamic instability
- Refractory PEA

Contraindications:

Bradycardia in the hypothermic patient

Procedure:

- Requires EKG leads and pads
- Press the green "Pacer" button to initiate pacing mode/options
- Default settings will appear on screen with the ability to toggle utilizing the up/down arrow keys and the Enter (dot) key.
- Verify, or adjust, the setting as either Fixed or Demand (default is Fixed)
- Verify, or adjust, the rate setting for beats per minute (default is 80)
- Select output and increase until electrical capture is achieved. Electrical capture is verified once the QRS consistently appears immediately following the blue pacing marker.
- Verify mechanical capture by the presence of a peripheral pulse.
- Confirm output settings by pressing the Enter (dot) key.
- Scroll down to the '←" key to return to the home screen.