

ADULT CARDIAC AC-06B

WIDE COMPLEX TACHYCARDIA – UNSTABLE

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History and Physical:	
Historical Findings	Physical Findings
 Medical etiology 	 Systolic BP <90 mmHg AND evidence of hypoperfused state. EKG Findings: V-tach, Wide Complex (QRS >
	0.12 seconds)

Assessment:

- Cardiac Assessment
- DDx: LBBB, A-fib with aberrancy, Pacemaker
- Treat primary cause first: hypoxia, electrolyte imbalance, toxins, Sepsis, hemorrhage

Clinical Management Options:	
Interventions	Pharmacology
 Vascular Access (IV/IO) 	Sedation Management
 Consider IO on conscious patients that are urgent/critical 	 Amiodarone 150mg IV/IO over 10 minutes (following Cardioversion/Conversion)
 Synchronized Cardioversion 100 J If unsuccessful: may repeat x 1 at 200 J 	AND THEN Amiodarone maintenance infusion 1mg/minute