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Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office

ADA News, 2007

Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office

94.9% of dentists in North America have experienced at least one medical emergency in their office

Malamed, JADA 1993



Medical Emergencies in Anesthesia

medical emergencies can develop or will happen when you practice anesthesia ALWAYS

The goal is to recognize when this cascade of events is beginning and prevent them from continuing

It is much easier to manage a potential problem than the actual problem



Anesthetic Emergencies

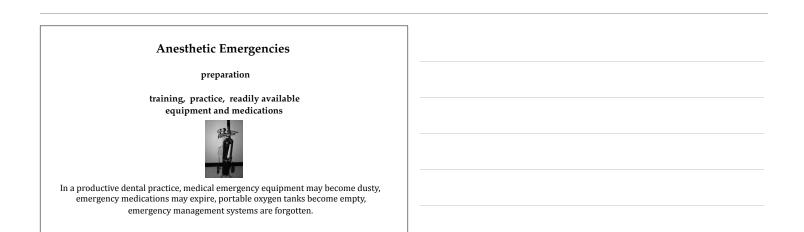
PREVENTION

Accurate medical and anesthetic history

Pre-operative appointment vital signs

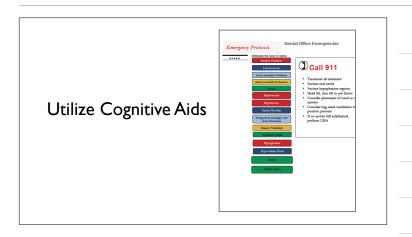
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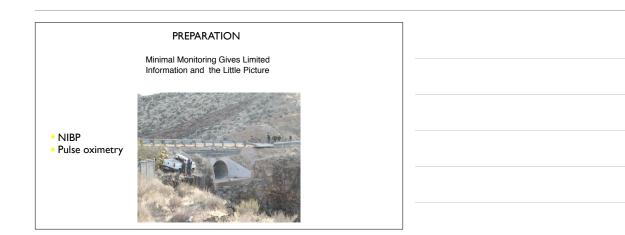






Cognitive Aids

- Anesthesia Critical Events
- http://emergencymanual.stanford.edu/
- ACLS
- http://www.anesthesiaillustrated.org/cogaids/wp-content/uploads/ 2014/10/ACLS_OBJECT_ACTION_8_20_14.pdf





Anesthetic Emergencies

Management

Utilize Cognitive Aids

Treat symptoms first then determine the cause

Anesthetic Emergencies

In anesthesia we are primarily concerned about the function of the heart, lungs and the brain.

Acute failure of any of these organs will result in the death of the other organ systems or the entire individual Respiratory

Cardiovascular

Cerebral

AIRWAY MANAGEMENT

Difficult or failed airway management is the major factor in anesthesia related morbidity and mortality

The first complication in sedation is the great majority of the time of an airway nature. Hence, the skill of airway management is of the utmost importance to learn, practice and master.

The ability to skillfully manage these emergencies is crucial in the the successful navigation of a safely administered sedation.

Respiratory Emergencies

Respiratory distress- obstruction

Respiratory failure- at the cellular level

Is it obstruction or apnea from the sedatives



Respiratory Emergencies

Hypoventilation vs. Respiratory depression depth and rate

Airway obstruction anatomic (supra-glottic) laryngospasm (glottic) bronchospasm (sub-glottic)

Emesis with aspiration



Respiratory Emergencies- airway obstruction

Anatomic (supra-glottic) short & thick neck large tongue

Laryngospasm (glottic) primitive reflex patient is semi-conscious/deep sedation

Bronchospasm (sub-glottic) asthma anaphylaxis physical irritation



Respiratory Emergencies- airway obstruction

Don't hesitate

Apply full face mask

Evaluate level of obstruction

Positive pressure

100% oxygen



Bag Valve Mask



You Know WHAT it is, Do You Know HOW to Use it

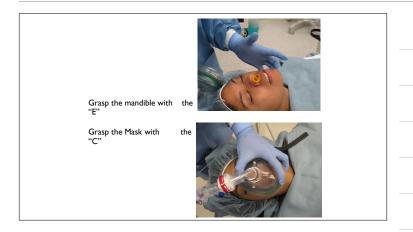
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MASK HOLDING TECHNIQUE



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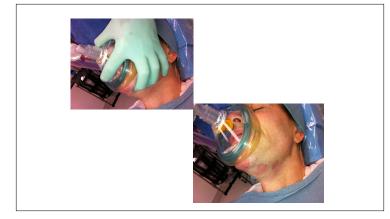




Place downward pressure on the mask toward the face

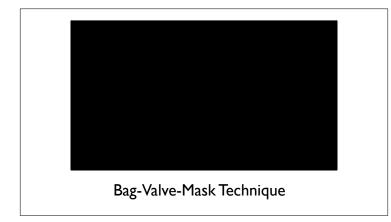
While holding the mask simultaneously tilt the head back and perform chin lift







Bag-Valve-Mask Technique



Respiratory Emergencies- airway obstruction

Anatomic obstruction will respond to positive pressure

Evaluate airway management with the capnograph

Resume procedure when respirations are adequate

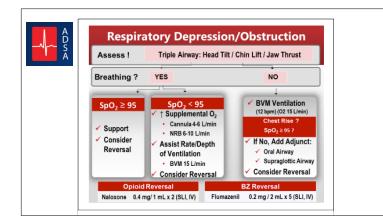


Sedative Overdose/ Respiratory Depression

Symptoms Not Responsive to Stimulation Desaturation/Hypoventilation Obstructed Airway Hypotension

Treatment: I.Administer Oxygen 2. Create patent airway (Triple Airway maneuver) 3.Ventilate Patient/BVM/Airway Adjuncts 4. Unable to Ventilate-Call 911, 5.Reversal Airway algorithm



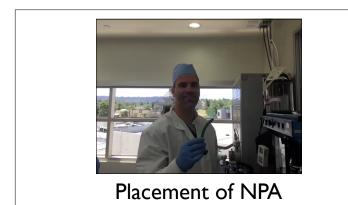


OPA Placement





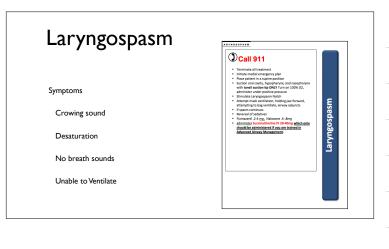
NPA: Non-Placement-Airway





Placement of the NPA

Placement of the LMA



Laryngospasm

Aggressive treatment

- Call 911
- Suction, laryngospasm notch, head tilt, chin lift, jaw thrust

Attempt to ventilate, airway algorithm

Reversal of sedatives

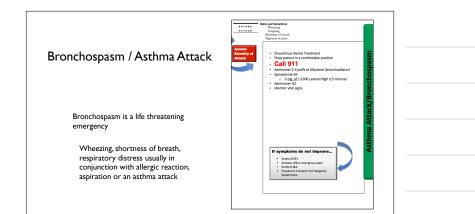
• Succinylcholine only if GA trained

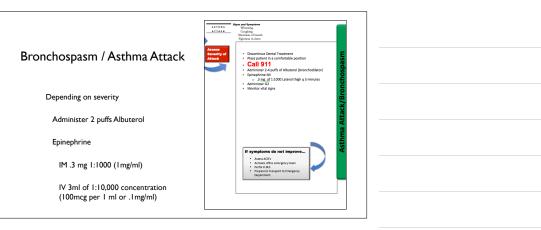
Consider mechanical obstruction or Bronchospam

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"μg" = "microgram" (1/1,000,000 [10 ⁻⁶] of a gram) (Note: "microgram" may also be written "mcg") "kg" = "kilogram" "VT" = "intravenous"	
One ampoule of 1:1000 adrenaline in 1 ml volume.	
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If one ampoule is diluted to 10ml	
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 This equals 100 µg/ml 	
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If one ampoule is diluted to 100ml	
 This equals 0.01 mg/ml 	
 This equals 10 µg/ml This is 1:100.000 adrenalin 	
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Respiratory Emergencies- emesis with aspiration

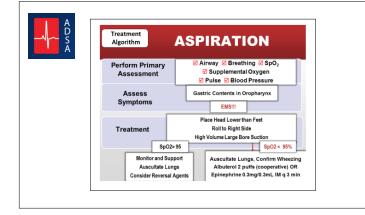
place in Trendelenberg and suction out vomitus

roll patient on their right side to protect left lung

100% oxygen via full face mask

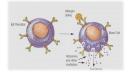
albuterol inhaler Treat bronchospasm if present







Allergy



Allergy represents an OVERREACTION by the bodies immune system to a foreign substance (allergen)

Allergic Reactions

Diagnosis [&] Management



Histamine

The Primary Mediator of the Allergic Reaction

- Heart rate = increases
- Blood pressure = decreases
- Small blood vessels = dilate
- Flushing
- Increased capillary permeability



Histamine Pharmacology - Summary



Itching . . . Pruritis

Hives . . . Urticaria Rash . . . Erythema

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Swelling...Angioedema

Bronchospasm

Vasodilation

Allergic Reactions

Possible predictors of severity of the reaction

Rapidity of ONSET

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of signs and symptoms

PROGRESSION

of signs and symptoms

Onset of S&S

Delayed:

- S & S develop slowly [>60 min]
- Reaction involves skin

Immediate:

- •S & S develop within minutes of exposure
- Reaction involves respiratory a/o cardiovascular systems



Delayed Onset Skin Reaction Management: Parenteral histamine blockers: • Diphenhydramine . . . IV

- ∘ 50 mg adults
- ∘ 25 mg (< 30 kg)

ANAPHYLAXIS

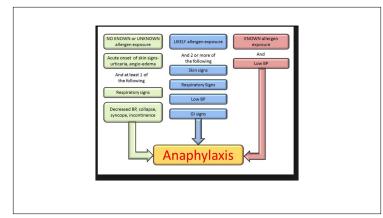
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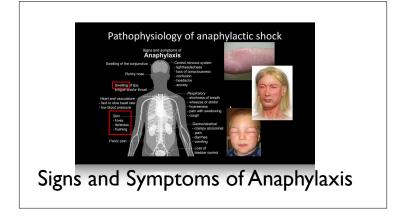
The more rapidly anaphylaxis develops, the more likely the reaction is to be severe and potentially life-threatening

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Prompt recognition of signs and symptoms of anaphylaxis is crucial.

If there is any doubt, it is generally better to administer epinephrine









Laryngeal Edema Angioedema of the Larynx



Angioedema of the Eyes and Lips

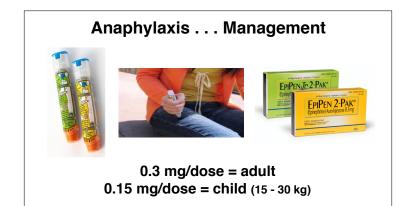


Angioedema of the Lips

Lingual Edema (Angioedema of the tongue)





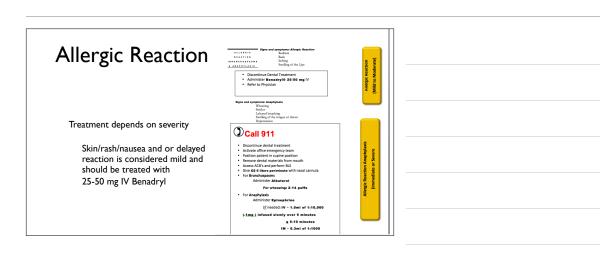




There is no absolute contraindication to epinephrine administration in anaphylaxis

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- Epinephrine and oxygen are the most important therapeutic agents administered in anaphylaxis.
- Epinephrine is the drug of choice, and the appropriate dose should be administered promptly at the onset of apparent anaphylaxis



Allergic Reaction

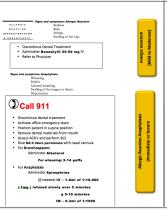
Respiratory and Cardiovascular involvement

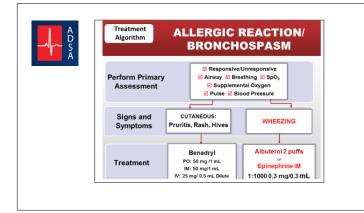
Wheezing, stridor, hypotension, laryngeal edema

Epinephrine

IM .3ml (.3mg) of 1:1000

IV 1-3ml (.1-.3mg slowly) of 1:10,000





Cardiovascular Emergencies

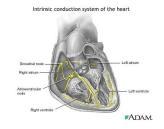
Bradycardia Tachycardia Conduction disturbances Ectopic beats Hypotension Hypertension Compromised myocardial perfusion (angina, MI) Syncope

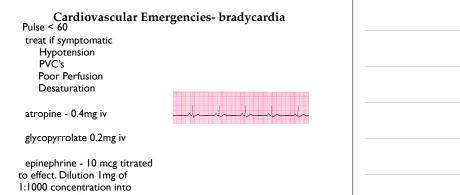


Cardiovascular Emergencies

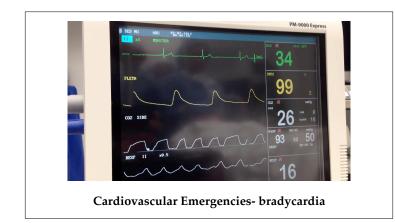
• 3 lead EKG

What is the Rate? What is the rhythm? Where is the pacemaker? Is there a P-wave?





1:1000 concentration into 100ml of Na Cl



Cardiovascular Emergencies- tachycardia

supraventricular tachycardia

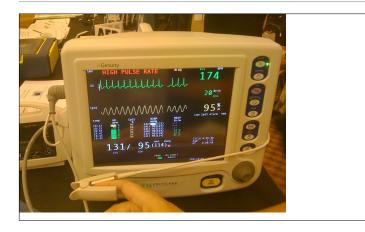
sinus tachycardia

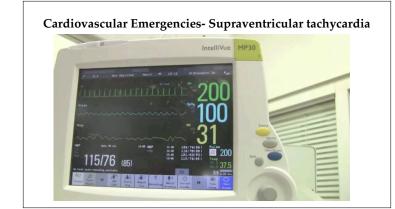
ventricular tachycardia

Cardiovascular Emergencies- Supraventricular tachycardia



HR > 160 bpm Ist dose- 6mg rapid bolus 2nd dose- 12mg rapid bolus lasts 10 seconds only works for SVT May need synchronous cardioversion if unsuccessful

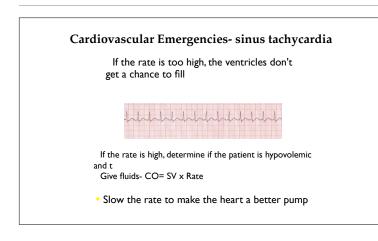




Cardiovascular Emergencies- sinus tachycardia

Try to determine the cause Pain- Ineffective Local Anesthesia Anxiety Full bladder Hypovolemia positioning fluid challenge carotid sinus massage Sedation Ineffective Local Anesthesia

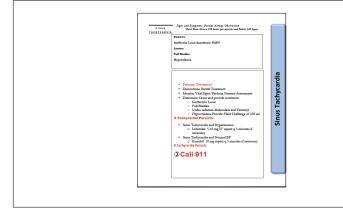


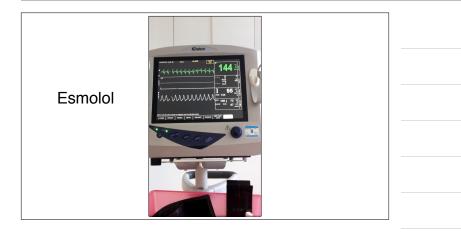


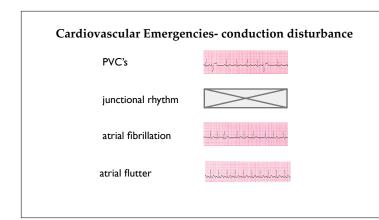
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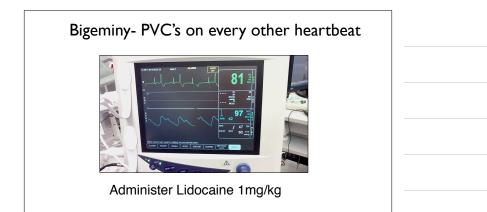
positioning fluid challenge carotid sinus massage Sedation Ineffective Local Anesthesia

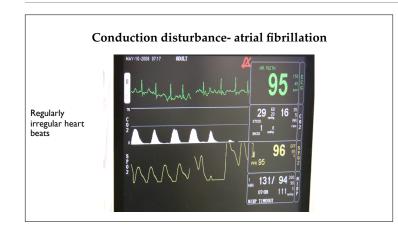
Tachycardia and hypertension-labetalol (titrate) 5 -10 mg IV Tachycardia and normal BP-esmolol (titrate) 10 mg IV













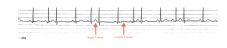


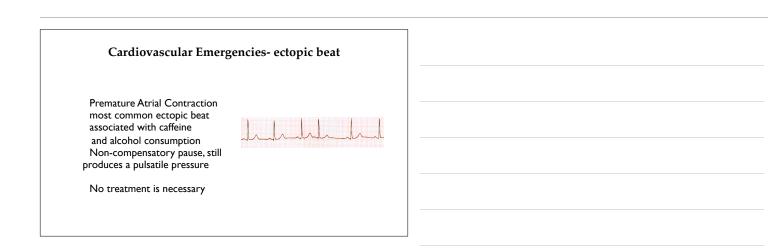
What do you do? Defib?

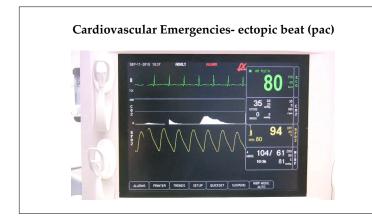


3 lead EKG

Premature atrial contractions- the most common ectopic beat







Cardiovascular Emergencies- hypotension

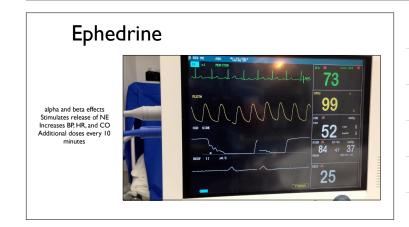
positioning

Trendelenburg- 15 degrees below the horizontal 800cc of blood in each leg fluid challenge

250-350 ml How long to administer depends on size of the catheter being used. 22g vs20g vs18g Only 25% stays in the circulation after 1 hour Repeat in 5 minutes



Hyppotension Most common cause is Hypovolemia especially when combined with tachycardia. Can also be caused by over sedation Ephedrine 5-10 mg (Low or normal pulse) Phenylephrine (10mg/ml diluted in 100 ml) for hypotension and tachycardia.



Neo-Synephrine

increases BP, decreases HR "double dilution" 10mg in 100ml alpha 1 agonist +++ lasts 5-10 minutes



Cardiovascular Emergencies- hypertension • Pain Control

 local anesthesia limit epinephrine opiates

 Increase depth of sedation • Full bladder?

Labetololantagonist Alpha I, Beta I and 2 titrate 5-10mg, direct effect on heart and vessels 5-10 mg q 5 minutes

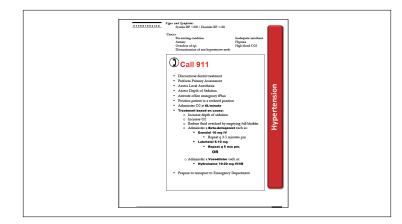


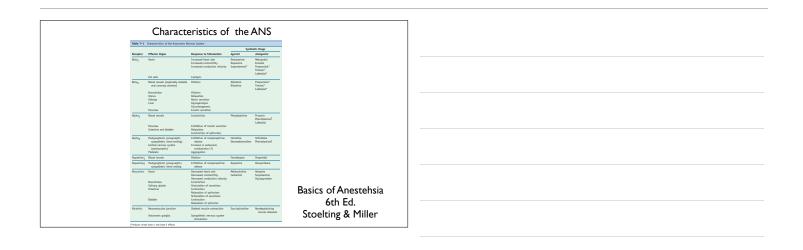
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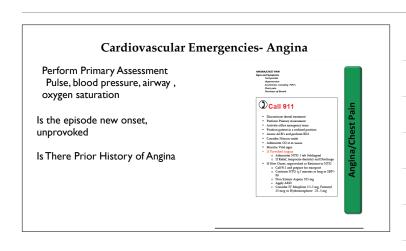
- esmolol- titrate 5-10mg, effects HR, decreases CO Beta I selective lasts up to 20-30 minutes

- hydralizine (apresoline) direct vasodilator on arterioles, not veins titrate 10-20mg iv lasts 20-90 mniutes









Angina

Provoked or History in the Past

Stop Dentistry and Assess

Consider nitrous oxide sedation

NTG sublingual q 5 min

If resolves, temporize and dismiss the patient



Angina- New Onset

Call 911

Sublingual NTG q 5 minutes Sublingual as systolic BP > 90

Non-enteric Aspirin

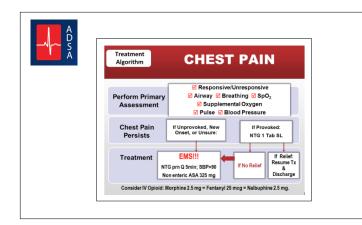
Consider IV Opioid or Nitrous Oxide

Get the AED Ready



Angina- New Onset





Cardiovascular Emergencies- Myocardial Infarction

symptoms similar to angina but more severe and not relieved by NTG

Perform Assessment Pulse? Breathing? Unresponsive? Cardiac Arrest

Activate EMS immediately





Cardiovascular Emergencies- Myocardial Infarction

Management Get the AED

Morphine or Nitrous Oxide 50% Oxygen Nitro-Glycerin Aspirin 325 mg

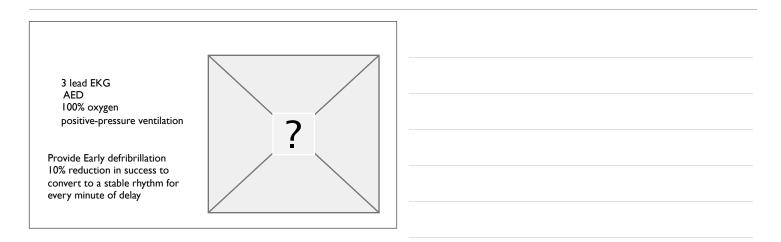
Unresponsive? CARDIAC ARREST

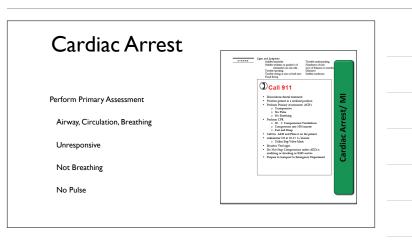
Start BLS

Nitrous Oxide - Oxygen 50% - 50% As analgesic as IV morphine • Separates pain from suffering Sedative • Relaxes scared patient 50% O2 • 2.5 times ambient air









Cardiac Arrest

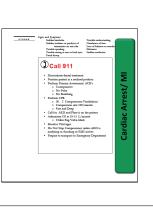
ACTIVATE EMS !!!!!

Call for AED and TURN IT ON

Start CPR

Immediate Chest Compressions

Fast and Deep



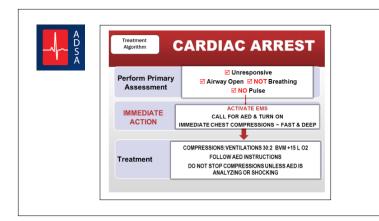
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Cardiac Arrest

Follow AED Instructions

DO NOT STOP COMPRESSIONS UNLESS AED IS ANALYZING OR SHOCKING





Cardiovascular/ Neurologic Emergencies- Syncope

position in Trendelenberg 100% oxygen IV fluids Usually self limiting



Cardiovascular/ Neurologic Emergencies- Syncope

Differential Diagnosis of a visualized collapse

Cardiac Arrest

•Hypoglycemic Shock •Syncope



Neurologic Emergencies

seizures

nausea & vomiting

disorientation

headache



Seizures

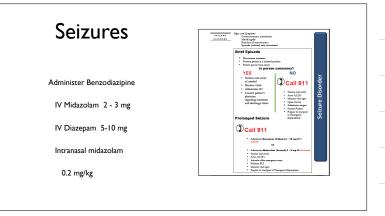
Prevent Injury

Suction Oral Cavity Delicately if needed

Administer oxygen

Monitor ACB's- Open Airway





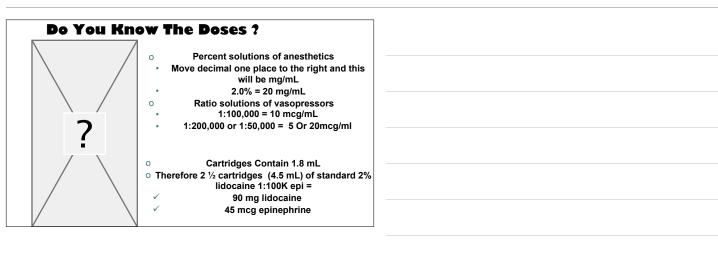
Cerebral Emergencies- seizures

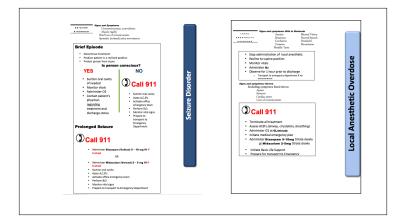
local anesthesia overdose calculate local anesthetic doses

Poorly controlled Epilepsy Long NPO without medication



Ane	sthetic Doses & Durations					
	Maximum	I Dose (mg)	Duration (minutes) Max. Infiltration Inf. Alveolar Block			
Preparation	Mg/kg	Total	Pulpal	Tissue	Pulpal	Tissue
2% lidocaine + epi	7	500	60	170	85	190
3% mepivacaine	6.6	400	25	90	40	165
2% mepivacaine + levo	7	550	50	130	75	185
4% prilocaine	8	600	20	105	55	190
4% prilocaine + epi	8	600	40	140	60	220
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0.5% bupivacaine + epi		90	40	340	240	440
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Cerebral Emergencies- Nausea & Vomiting

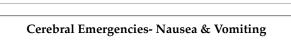
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prevention technique avoid nitrous oxide minimize narcotics proper hydration antiemetics

metoclopramide 10 mg Glycopyrrulate/Scopolamine dexamethasone 8 mg ondansetron 4 mg



treatment fluids immobility take meds with food



Risk Factors

Caucasian population

Young females

Non smokers

Nitrous Oxide sedation

Intraoperative Opioids

Post operative Opioids

Anticholinergics

Scopolamine Patch- The anticholinergic agent scopolamine blocks muscarinic receptors in the vestibular system, thereby halting the signaling to the central nervous system and central vomiting center. It may be effective for preventing PONV

Place at least 2-4 hours

Glycopyrrulate 0.2 mg has some evidence supporting its use as well

Ondansetron

5 HT3 blocker

Blocks Serotonin in the central vomitting center of the brain and also blocks signals from 5 HT3 receptors from the GI tract

Signals stimulating vomit centers of the brain never get there

May prolong QT intervals

Administer 4 mg 20 minutes before the end of the procedure

Dexamethasone

8 mg is as effective as 4 mg of ondansetron

Use in conjunction with ondansetron for synergistic prevention of PONV

The mechanism of action of dexamethasone is not fully elucidated. There are 2 theories: prostaglandin antagonism and release of endorphins.

Metoclopramide

The substituted benzamide metoclopramide acts as a Dopamine2 antagonist both centrally in the CTZ and peripherally in the GI tract.

It also displays cholinergic activity, which increases lower esophageal sphincter tone and promotes gastric motility.

Less effective than 4 mg ondansetron

Crosses Blood brain barrier, 10-20 % incidence of side effects such as depression, somnolence, reduced mental acuity

Contraindicated in Patients with Parkinsons Disease

Aprepitant (EMEND)

Substance P Antagonist mediated by blocking the Neurokinin I receptor (NK-1). Preventing emesis

Higher Percentage (37.9 %) of complete prevention of PONV than Ondansetron (31.2%)

 $80\ \text{mg}\ \text{PO}$ of EMEND was found to be superior to $4\ \text{mg}\ \text{IV}$ ondansetron

40 mg costs roughly \$100.00

Combination Therapy

8 mg of Dexamethasone and 4 mg Ondansetron

Evidence shows that the combination is better than either one of the agents administers by itself

Consider Scopolamine if you desire longer coverage

Consider metoclopramide for those most susceptible for PONV (10 mg $\,$ IV)

Cerebral Emergencies- Emergence Delirium

rule out CVA excitement phase reversal agent time elderly patients Hypercarbia Reverse Benzodiazipines



Cerebral Emergencies- Headache

migraine avoid nitrous oxide prophylactic migraine meds

hydration

caffeine withdrawls- consider allowing sips of black coffee or cola drinks up to 2 hours before appt. No milk or cream



Endocrine Emergencies- hypoglycemia

Glucose check- another vital sign NPO status known diabetic on insulin or oral hypoglycemics dextrose containing IV solution Consider 2 I.V. lines. One solution containing glucose, one without serial blood sugarsevery 30-60 minutes



Hypoglycemia

Never place any glucose sources that can liquefy in the mouth of an unconscious patient

IV- 25-50 Grams Glucose

Mild • Hunger	Moderate • Headache	Sovere Unresponsiveness
Determine Severity of Symptoma	Behavior changes Blarred, impaired or double vision Crabbiness or confusion Weakness Difficulty talking	Loss of consciousness Convulsions
Mild – Moderate Discontinue treatment Activate office mergency team Administer Glasses tab or 10-55 granboydrate Source Deserver age in 15 sinutes concet pairs in the sinutes physician reparing a physician reparing a short Glasses Sources • X to pag-bar soig • 35 pieces hard campy • 1 tbjs honey	 Moderate – E Place patient Place patient Activate office Activate office Call 91: Administrar In More 23 60 Administrar In Propose to may Propose to may Advisitant On Propose to may Advisitant On Advisita	in supine : emergency ng Glucagon ucose IV : : : : : : : : : : : : :

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