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Treatment Protocols <u>Abdominal Pain – Adult</u>

Stable Blood pressure >90 mmHg	Unstable Systolic blood pressure <90 mmHg, and/or signs of poor perfusion
Adult BLS Standing Orders	
 Universal Patient Protocol For female patients, establish last menstrual period through age 50 years old Encourage immediate transport 	 Universal Patient Protocol For female patients, establish last menstrual period through age 50 years old Encourage immediate transport
Adult LALS Standing Order Protocol	
Saline lock/IV PRN	 Establish IV NS 500-1,000 mL IV MR x 1 to a max of 2,000 mL to maintain a SBP of ≥ 90 mmHg
Adult ALS Standing Order Protocol	
 Monitor EKG Saline lock/IV/IO PRN Ondansetron 4 mg IV/IO/IM/ODT PRN x1, MR x1, total 8 mg Pain Management Protocol PRN 	 Monitor EKG Establish IV/IO PRN NS 500-1,000 mL IV MR x 1 to a max of 2,000 mL to maintain a SBP of ≥ 90 mmHg Ondansetron 4 mg IV/IO/IM/ODT PRN, MR x1, total 8 mg Pain Management Protocol PRN
Adult Base Hospital Orders	
BH - Repeat Ondansetron 4 mg	 BH - Repeat NS bolus BH - Repeat Ondansetron 4 mg

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Notes

- Consider 12 lead EKG in patients with diffuse or epigastric pain, as potential anginal equivalent
- Less frequently adults' abdominal pain can be anaphylaxis. Consider epinephrine IM if clinical history and exam are consistent with anaphylaxis.
- In elderly adults, abdominal pain is often a life-threatening illness. Minimize time on scene to shorten time to definitive care.
- For persistent hypotension, see **Shock Protocol**
- Signs of poor perfusion include:
 - \$\\$\\$SBP < 90 \text{ mmHg and exhibiting any of the following signs/symptoms of inadequate perfusion, e.g.,
 - o Altered mental status (decreased LOC, confusion, agitation)
 - Pallor
 - Diaphoresis
 - Significant chest pain of suspected cardiac origin
 - Severe dyspnea

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