

Treatment Protocols**Date: 02/01/2021*****Drowning/Near Drowning - Adult*****Policy #9090A****Adult BLS Standing Orders**

- **Universal Patient Protocol**
- Ensure patent airway, suction PRN
- Insert supraglottic airway PRN per **Airway Policy**
- Spinal motion restriction PRN per **Spinal Motion Restriction Policy**
- Monitor O2 saturation, aggressively treat hypoxia or increased WOB
- Give oxygen and/or ventilate PRN
- Keep patient warm
- All patients should be evaluated in the hospital
- Blood glucose PRN
- Refer to **Poisoning** and **Trauma Policies** as needed

Adult LALS Standing Order Protocol

- Establish IV PRN
- NS 500-1,000 mL PRN hypotension (if lungs clear)
- Albuterol 2.5-5 mg nebulized for wheezing
- NIPPV per **NIPPV Policy**

Adult ALS Standing Order Protocol

- Continuous monitor: ECG, EtCO2 Monitor, blood pressure and pulse oximetry
- Insert ETT PRN per **Airway Policy**
- Establish IO PRN
- Ondansetron 4 mg SL/IO/IV PRN Nausea and/or Vomiting

Adult Base Hospital Orders

- **BH** – Repeat albuterol 2.5-5 mg PRN wheezing

Notes:

- **BH** - All patients should be evaluated in the hospital. Consult with BH prior to AMA

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