Treatment Protocols Heat Illness/Hyperthermia

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Stable

Blood pressure appropriate for age

Unstable

Systolic blood pressure low for age, and/or signs of poor perfusion

Pediatric BLS Standing Orders

- Universal Patient Protocol
- Give oxygen and/or ventilate PRN per Airway Policy
- Monitor O2 saturation PRN
- Remove patient from hostile environment
- Blood glucose PRN

Heat Exhaustion (Not Altered)

- Loosen or remove clothing
- Cool gradually (spraying with tepid water and fanning); avoid shivering
- If alert and no nausea, give small amounts of cool liquids by mouth
- Obtain baseline temperature

- Universal Patient Protocol
- Give oxygen and/or ventilate PRN per **Airway Policy**
- Monitor continuous oxygen, capnography (if ALS present), ECG, and pulse oximetry
- Remove patient from hostile environment
- Blood glucose PRN

Heat Stroke (Altered Mental Status)

- Remove clothing
- Implement rapid cooling measures, ice packs to axillae, groin, cervical area
- Flush or spray with tepid water, fan patient
- Avoid shivering
- Obtain baseline temperature

Pediatric LALS Standing Order Protocol

• Establish IV PRN

Heat Exhaustion

• Cool NS 0.9% 10-20 ml/kg IV bolus (if clear lungs) PRN dehydration

Establish IV

Heat Stroke

 Cool NS 0.9% 10-20 ml/kg IV bolus (if clear lungs)

Pediatric ALS Standing Orders

- Establish IO PRN
- Monitor continuous oxygen, capnography (if ALS present), ECG, and pulse oximetry
- Establish IO
- Maintain constant blood pressure, pulse oximetry, EtCO2 monitoring

Heat Stroke

NS 0.9% 20 mL/kg IV/IO

Pediatric Base Hospital Orders

LALS

BH - Repeat NS 0.9% 20mL/kg IV

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	BHP – Dopamine 200 mg/250 mL NS per weight based protocol
Notes:	
 Always consider medical sources for hyperthermia such as: Sepsis or infection Intoxication or medication overdose (ex: serotonin syndrome) 	
Remove these factors if nossible	

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