

Treatment Protocols**Date: 07/01/2021*****Altered Mental Status (Non-Traumatic) - Adult*****Policy #9030A****Adult BLS Standing Orders**

- **Universal Patient Protocol**
- Assess and control airway and breathing as needed per **Airway Policy**
- **Oxygen PRN**
- **Test glucose**
- Gather history from patient, and if patient unable to provide history, ask bystanders, family or friends
- Bring family or friend to hospital if available for history
- Assess for traumatic injury. If present, go to **Trauma Protocol**
- If suspected stroke or TIA, go to **Stroke Protocol**
- If suspected poisoning, including opioid overdose, go to **Poisoning Protocol**
 - Bring pill or medication bottles to hospital if possible
- If suspected Sepsis/SIRS, use **SIRS Protocol**

HYPOGLYCEMIA, Glucose < 60 mg/dL (adult)

- Administer glucose PO, if patient is alert, has a gag reflex, and can swallow:
 - Glucose paste on tongue depressor placed between cheek and gum
 - Granulated sugar dissolved in liquid

SEIZURE

- See **Seizure Protocol**

Adult LALS Standing Order Protocol

- Glucose monitoring
- Establish IV
- 500 mL Fluid bolus IV for SBP <90 mmhg x1, MR x1 to maintain SBP > 90 mmhg

HYPOGLYCEMIA, Glucose < 60 mg/dL

- Dextrose 25 gm IV for BS < 60 mg/dL or unobtainable x1, MR x1
- Glucagon – 1 mg IM x1 if no IV and BS level <60 mg/dl or unobtainable
- Repeat glucose testing following intervention

Adult ALS Standing Order Protocol

- Monitor/EKG
- Establish IV/IO prn
- Capnography
- Glucose monitoring
- Obtain 12 Lead EKG prn

Intervene as appropriate per Airway Policy

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Nausea/Vomiting

- Ondansetron – 4 mg IV/IO PRN for

Adult Base Hospital Orders

- Additional Dextrose BH

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Chart on 25 g of dextrose and equivalents here.

Notes

Liver patients will not necessarily respond well to glucagon administration and may require multiple dextrose administrations.

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