

Advanced Life Support Patient Care Standards

Summary of Changes

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Version 4.9

The following changes have been made between version 4.8 and 4.9:

Preamble

- Updated Conventions

Appendix 1 – PCP Core Medical Directives

- **Return of Spontaneous Circulation**
 - Updated Contraindications
- **Cardiac Ischemia**
 - Updated Contraindications
 - Updated Clinical Considerations
- **Hypoglycemia**
 - Updated Indications
 - Updated treatment charts to allow for titration of dextrose and align with ACP directive
- **Analgesia**
 - Removed Ketorolac restriction “Restricted to those who are unable to tolerate oral medications”
 - Updated Contraindications and Clinical Considerations
- **Opioid Toxicity**
 - Updated Indications
 - Updated Conditions

- Updated naloxone treatment chart
- Updated Clinical Considerations

Appendix 2 – ACP Core Medical Directives

- **Return of Spontaneous Circulation**
 - Updated Contraindications
 - Updated Clinical Considerations
- **Cardiac Ischemia**
 - Updated Contraindications
 - Updated Clinical Considerations
- **Cardiogenic Shock**
 - Updated Contraindications
- **Symptomatic Bradycardia**
 - Updated Contraindications
 - Patch point removed
 - Updated Clinical Considerations
- **Hypoglycemia**
 - Updated Indications
 - Updated treatment chart to allow for titration of dextrose
- **Seizure**
 - Updated Contraindications
 - Updated treatment chart to allow for IO administration
 - Updated Clinical Considerations
- **Opioid Toxicity**
 - Updated Indications
 - Updated Conditions
 - Updated naloxone treatment chart
- **Orotracheal Intubation**
 - Minor update to define a GCS level for Lidocaine topical treatment
- **Analgesia**

- Updated Conditions
- Updated Contraindications
- Updated Treatment charts for Morphine and FentaNYL
- Updated Clinical Considerations

- **Hyperkalemia**
 - Updated Contraindications
 - Added Treatment note for extended transports
 - Updated Clinical Considerations

Appendix 4 – ACP Auxiliary Medical Directives

- **Cricothyrotomy – AUXILIARY**
 - Updated Indications
 - Patch point removed