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Universal Initial Patient Care/Transport

General Guidelines

To establish uniform criteria for assessment and therapeutic modalities that may be performed by HCFS personnel under standing orders and without prior authorization by medical control.

Initial Patient Contact

- 1 Ensure Scene safety
- 2 Perform Primary and Secondary assessments
- 3 Position/open airway manually and utilize Oral/Nasal airway, as necessary.
- 4 Administer Oxygen as needed to assure SpO₂ 94 %- 99%
- 5 Obtain vital signs (HR, RR, BP, Temp, BGL and pain scale).
- 6 Assess for and treat for shock (body positioning and warming).
- 7 Spinal immobilization for appropriate clinical scenario
- 8 Extremity splinting and immobilization as appropriate

ALS Secondary - During Transport

Any patient requiring transport via HCFS ambulance may have at the discretion of the treating paramedic:

1. Oxygen administered via administration device at the discretion of the treating paramedic.
2. Cardiac monitoring (4 Lead)
3. 12-lead EKG obtained
4. IV access with INT or KVO infusion of Normal Saline (NS)
5. Pulse oximetry monitoring (goal is 94 - 99%)
6. Capnography monitoring (goal is 35-45 mmHg)
7. Fingertick glucose obtained.



Conscious, alert patients with grossly adequate decision-making capacity may decline or refuse any of the above interventions.

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