

PEDIATRIC TREATMENT PROTOCOL

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PAIN MANAGEMENT

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BLS ALS

- Assess level of pain
- Ice, immobilize, and splint PRN
- Elevate extremity trauma PRN

- Continue to monitor and reassess pain as appropriate
- Document vital signs before and after each medication administration

Pain medication considerations

- 1. When changing route of administration, consider the potential time difference in onset of action
- 2. Document **adequate perfusion** prior to opioid administration
- 3. BHPO required for treatment if patient presents with
 - Isolated head injury
 - Acute onset severe headache
 - Drug/ETOH intoxication
 - Suspected active labor
 - Major trauma with GCS <15

For mild pain (score 1-3) or moderate pain (score 4-6)

 Acetaminophen* IV per drug chart in 100 ml of NS over 15 min

For moderate pain (score 4-6) or severe pain (score 7-10)

- <10 kg, fentanyl IV/IN per drug chart, MR BHO
- ≥10 kg, fentanyl IV/IN per drug chart, MR
- If fentanyl unavailable, morphine IV/IM per drug chart

^{*}IV acetaminophen contraindicated if patient <2 years of age