GENERAL INJURY AND TRAUMA - PEDIATRIC

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ALS STANDING ORDERS:

AUTO ACCIDENT WITH AIRBAG DEPLOYMENT:

- 1. For eye irritation, brush off and powder around upper face and irrigate with water.
- 2. Pulse oximetry, if oxygen saturation less than 95% provide:
 - Oxygen by mask (high flow) or nasal cannula (6 L/m) as tolerated.
- 3. For respiratory distress with wheezes, administer albuterol:
 - ► Albuterol, continuous nebulization of 5 mg/6 mL as tolerated.
- 4. Base contact required (CCERC base preferred) if meets Trauma Triage Criteria (OCEMS Policy # 310.30)
- 5. If does not meet Trauma Triage Criteria, transport to nearest available ERC (ALS escort if Albuterol required).

EXTERNAL BLEEDING / HEMORRHAGE:

- 1. Apply direct pressure to bleeding site to control blood loss -
 - If direct pressure successful in controlling extremity bleeding site, apply pressure dressing.
 - For continued bleeding after application of direct pressure, consider use of hemostatic dressing with direct pressure.
 - Use tourniquet application when upper or lower extremity bleeding is not controlled with direct pressure or hemostatic dressing with pressure dressing.
- 2. IV/IO access if hypotensive or per paramedic judgement (initiate transport as soon as possible):
 - ► Administer 20 mL/kg normal saline (maximum 250 mL) IV/IO bolus and make BH contact.
 - ▶ If remains hypotensive, may repeat same dose twice for total of three boluses as a standing order.
- 3. Make Base Hospital contact (CCERC base preferred) for all hypotensive hemorrhage cases for Trauma Center triage consideration.

EYE INJURY:

- 1. Cover injured eye without applying pressure to globe if required to keep child from rubbing or touching eye.
- 2. Elevate head 30 degrees or more if spinal motion restriction not required.
- 3. Morphine sulfate or Fentanyl as needed for severe pain. Contact Base (CCERC base preferred) if less than or equal to 2 years-old:
 - ▶ Morphine sulfate 0.1 mg/kg IV/IM (maximum single dose of 5 mg), may repeat same dose once after 3 minutes (do not exceed total combined administration of 10 mg)
 - ► Fentanyl 2 mcg/kg IN/IV/IM (maximum single dose of 50 mcg), may repeat same dose once after 3 minutes (do not exceed total combined administration of 100 mcg)
- 4. For nausea or vomiting in a child 4 years or older, give *Ondansetron (Zofran*™):
 - ▶ Ondansetron (Zofran[™]) 4 mg ODT tablet to dissolve orally.

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5. Transport to nearest available ERC (ALS escort if medications administered).

ISOLATED EXTREMITY INJURY (FRACTURES OR DEEP LACERATIONS) NOT MEETING TRAUMA TRIAGE CRITERIA:

- 1. Splint or immobilize fractured extremities (note breaks of skin or open wounds in fracture areas).
- 2. For fractures, note presence or absence of peripheral pulses and sensation.
- 3. Cover deep lacerations with sterile dressings if bleeding control not required.
- 4. *Morphine sulfate* or *Fentanyl* as needed for severe pain, Contact Base (CCERC base preferred) if less than or equal to 2 years-old:
 - ► Morphine sulfate 0.1 mg/kg IV/IM (maximum single dose of 5 mg), may repeat same dose once after 3 minutes (do not exceed total combined administration of 10 mg)

 OR
 - ► Fentanyl 2 mcg/kg IN/IV/IM (maximum single dose of 50 mcg), may repeat same dose once after 3 minutes (do not exceed total combined administration of 100 mcg)
- 5. Transport to nearest ERC (ALS escort if morphine or fentanyl administered).

IMPALED OBJECTS NOT MEETING TRAUMA TRIAGE CRITERIA:

- 1. Stabilize impaled object (in place) when possible unless causes delay in extrication or transport.
- 2. DO NOT remove impaled objects in face or neck unless breathing is compromised.
- 3. *Morphine sulfate* or *Fentanyl* as needed for severe pain, Contact Base (CCERC base preferred) if less than or equal to 2 years-old:
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- 4. Transport to nearest available ERC (ALS escort if morphine or fentanyl administered).

SUSPECTED TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (TBI)

1. Monitor all patients with continuous Pulse Oximetry.

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► Provide supplemental oxygen via nasal canula at 6 L/min flow rate or high flow oxygen by face mask and maintain P.O. > 90%.

If unable to maintain P.O. > 90% with oxygen alone, reposition airway as appropriate (consider c-spine precautions). If P.O. now > 90%, continue monitoring.

If P.O. still < 90%, deliver positive pressure ventilation with bag-valve-mask in conjunction with airway adjuncts. If P.O. now > 90%, continue monitoring.

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- 2. Monitor all patients with continuous End Tidal CO₂.
 - ▶ Maintain ETCO₂ between 35 and 45 mmHg if possible, especially for ventilated patients.
- 3. Monitor systolic blood pressure for all patients every 5 minutes.

For patients aged 0 - 9 years:

▶ Blood pressure below 70 + (age X 2) mmHg, administer 20 mL/kg Normal Saline IV/IO (maximum 250 mL), and repeat X 3 as standing order if needed to maintain systolic $BP > 70 + (age\ X\ 2)$ mmHg.

For patients aged 10 years and older:

- ▶ Blood pressure below 90 mmHg, administer 20 mL/kg Normal Saline IV/IO (maximum 250 mL), and repeat X 3 as standing order if needed to maintain systolic BP > 90 mmHg.
- 4. Assess GCS in all patients. For patients age ≤ 2 years, use P-GCS.
- 5. Transport to trauma center, Level 1 or Level 2 pediatric trauma center if possible.

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