

CARDIOGENIC SHOCK



Escambia County, Florida - ALS/BLS Medical Protocol

This protocol is used for the patient that is hypotensive (Systolic BP <90 mmHg) with signs and/or symptoms that are cardiac in origin.

See: Pulmonary Edema/CHF, Chest Pain - Suspected AMI.

Supportive Care

1. Medical Supportive Care Protocol.

ALS Level 1

- 2. If patient is not in pulmonary edema, administer fluid challenge of <u>Normal Saline</u> 250-500 ml IV.
- 3. <u>Dopamine</u> infusion @ 5-20mcg/kg/min (1600 mcg/ml infusion concentration).

Titrate to maintain a minimum systolic BP of 90 mmHg with good capillary refill (maximum dose 20 mcg/kg/min).

- 4. If rate is slow (<60/min.), see Bradycardia.
- 5. If rate is fast (>100/min.), see <u>Tachycardia</u> with pulse.

ALS Level 2 (*Physician authorization required*)

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