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 Normal Saline 250-500 ml IV.

3. Dopamine 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 Tachycardia with pulse.

ALS Level 2 (Physician authorization required)

None