



MEDICAL SUPPORTIVE CARE



Escambia County, Florida - ALS/BLS Medical Protocol

Supportive Care

EMT and Paramedic

1. Assessment Techniques (see [Initial Assessment Protocol](#).)
2. [Pulse Oximetry](#).
3. Administer oxygen PRN (see [Airway Management Protocol](#)) unless overridden by other specific protocol.
4. Establish hospital contact for notification of incoming patient and for the Paramedic to obtain consultation for orders.
5. Monitor Core Temperature if appropriate.

ALS Level 1

Paramedic Only

6. [Monitor ECG](#).
7. [Glucose Determination](#)
8. [Capnography](#) if appropriate

Paramedic and Authorized EMT

- 9a. [Establish IV](#) with Saline Lock (a)(b)(c)(d).

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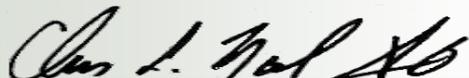
- 9b. [Establish IV](#) of Normal Saline with regular infusion set (a)(b)(c)(d), unless overridden by other specific protocol.



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ALS Level 2 (*Physician Authorization Required*)

None

Note

- (a) Authorized IV routes include all peripheral venous sites. External jugular veins may be utilized when other peripheral site attempts have been unsuccessful or would be inappropriate. A large bore intracath should be used for unstable patients, avoid sites below the diaphragm.
- (b) An IV lock or medication access point (MAP) may be used in lieu of an IV bag in some patients, when appropriate.
- (c) When unable to establish an IV in the adult patient that needs to be resuscitated, an intraosseous line may be used by the **Paramedic only**.
- (d) An EMT that has been authorized by their individual Medical Director may establish an IV.



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