



# BROSELOW PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY TAPE



## Escambia County, Florida - ALS/BLS Medical Protocol

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The Broselow Pediatric Emergency Tape is designed to be used as a quick reference to drug dosaging and equipment sizing on pediatric patients.

The Broselow tape is calibrated in different colors according to different lengths. The color that corresponds to the patient's length is used.

If the Broselow bag is also used, the color on the tape can be matched with the color on the pouch that contains the appropriately sized equipment and drugs.

### Procedure

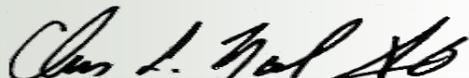
1. Place the patient in a supine position.
2. Remove tape from package and unfold.
3. Place tape next to patient, ensuring that the multicolored side is facing up.
4. Place red end of tape even with the top of the patient's head.
5. Place the edge of one hand on the red end of the tape.
6. Starting from the head, run the edge of your free hand down the tape.
7. Stop hand even with the heel of the patient's foot (if patient is larger than tape, stop here and use appropriate adult technique).
8. Verbalize the color block (on edge of tape) and weight range where your free hand has stopped. If patient falls on the line, go to the next higher section.
9. Use color block (on edge of tape) to identify the weight range of the patient.
10. Use weight range to determine appropriate sizes of equipment and approximate dosages for medications.



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## Note

The "**First Five Minutes**" Tape is used in the same manner as the Broselow Tape. The only difference is the Broselow Tape uses color codes where the "First Five Minutes" Tape uses letters.



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