This protocol should be used on most types of ingestion (e.g. acetaminophen, benzodiazepines, narcotics, tricyclic antidepressants, vitamins with iron, etc.).

Supportive Care

1. Medical Supportive Care Protocol.
2. Consider need for ventilatory support.

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4. Consider need for intubation.
5. Perform glucose test with finger stick. If glucose is below 60 mg/dL, administer: if <8 years: D25 2 ml/kg IV/IO; if >8 years: D50 1 ml/kg IV/IO. (a)(b) If unable to start IV/IO, administer Glucagon 1 mg IM.
6. If suspected narcotic overdose in non-neonate, administer Naloxone (Narcan) 0.1 mg/kg (maximum 2 mg) IV/IO/IM. May repeat every 5 minutes PRN.

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None

Notes

(a) For newborns and infants, perform heel stick. In newborn if blood glucose is <50 mg/dl or <60 mg/dL in the infant, administer D10 % 5 ml/kg IV/IO (dilute D50 1:4 with Normal Saline = D10).
(b) To avoid infiltration and resultant tissue necrosis, Dextrose 10%, 25%, and 50% should be given slow IV with intermittent aspiration of IV/IO line to confirm IV/IO patency followed by saline flush.

(c) If patient is seizing, also see Pediatric Seizures.