

AMPUTATIONS

ALL PROVIDERS/EMT

- ❑ Focused history and physical exam
- ❑ Continuous ECG, ETCO₂, and Pulse Oximetry monitoring when available
- ❑ **Treatment Plan**
 - Maintain airway, apply oxygen as needed to maintain SaO₂ 90-94%.
 - Unless this is an isolated injury, consider spinal motion restriction per the ***Selective Spinal Immobilization Guidance***.
 - Treat for pain and anxiety per the ***Pain and Anxiety Management Guideline***.
 - Monitor closely for signs of shock, especially in amputations above the wrist or ankle.

Amputated Body Parts and/or Tissue

- Apply direct pressure to control hemorrhage. A tourniquet is frequently required to control hemorrhage from amputation or near-amputation, when direct pressure is ineffective or impractical.
 - If amputation is incomplete, cover stump with sterile dressing saturated in NS, splint affected digit or limb in baseline physiologic position.
 - All retrievable tissue should be transported (do not delay transport by spending an excessive amount of time looking for an amputated part).
 - Rinse part(s) with NS.
 - Wrap tissue in sterile gauze moistened with NS.
 - Place tissue into plastic bag or container.
 - Place bag/container into separate container filled with ice (if available)
 - Do not allow tissue to come into direct contact with ice, do not freeze, and do not submerge in water.
- ❑ **Key Considerations**
 - Time to re-implantation for most limbs is critical.

ADULT

AEMT

- Advanced airway, vascular access and fluid therapy per ***IV-IO Access and Fluid Therapy Guideline***
- Pain medication per Pain and Anxiety Management Guideline***

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PEDIATRIC (<15 years of Age)

NOTE: Pediatric weight based dosing should not exceed Adult dosing.

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