POST CARDIAC ARREST RETURN OF SPONTANEOUS CIRCULATION (ROSC)

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ALL PROVIDERS / EMT

- Treatment Plan
 - o Focused history and physical exam
 - Blood glucose assessment.
 - Continuous ECG, ETCo2, and pulse oximetry monitoring.
 - o Assist ventilations to maintain ETCo2 35-45mmHg.
 - Document blood pressure and acquire 12 lead EKG immediately after establishing ROSC.
 - o Prepare for transport while maintaining monitoring and re-checking for pulse periodically.
 - Acquire and transmit post-ROSC 12 lead EKG as well as a second 12 lead EKG 10 minutes post-ROSC.
 - O Consider placing mechanical CPR device for transport, if available, in case of re-arrest.
 - Consider fluid resuscitation up to 1L NS/LR for target MAP > 65 and/or SBP 90
 - Pediatric lowest acceptable systolic blood pressures are:
 - Birth to 1 month = 60mmHg
 - 1 month to 1 year = 70mmHg
 - 1 year to 10 years is = 70mmHg + (age x 2)
 - Over 10 years = 90mmHg
 - o Emergent transport to a STEMI/PCI receiving center.

ADULT

AEMT

- Supraglottic airway, vascular access and fluid therapy.
- Administer crystalloid to achieve a goal of SBP of 90 mmHg or MAP of 65.

PARAMEDIC

- Epinephrine drip 2-10mcg/min IV/IO infusion. Titrate to maintain SBP of 90mmHg or MAP of 65.
- Push Dose Epinephrine 2-10mcg as needed to maintain SBP 90mmHg or MAP of 65
- Norepinephrine 1mcg/kg/min IV/IO infusion. Titrate up to 30mcg/min to maintain SBP 90mmHg or MAP of 65
- For patients with an advanced airway already in place and the return of a gag reflex. Administer ONCE via IV/IO:
 - o ET intubated PTs
 - Fentanyl 50-100mcg AND
 - Midazolam 2.5mg
 - Supraglottic airway PTs
 - Fentanyl 50mcg

PEDIATRIC

Pediatric dose should NOT EXCEED adult dose

AEMT

- Supraglottic airway, vascular access and fluid therapy.
- Administer crystalloid to achieve a goal of SBP appropriate for age listed above.

PARAMEDIC

- Epinephrine drip 0.1-0.5 mcg/kg/min IV/IO. Titrate to maintain an appropriate SBP for age
- Push Dose Epinephrine 1mcg/kg/min Titrate to maintain appropriate SBP for age
- Norepinephrine 0.05-0.1mcg/kg/min IV/IO infusion. Titrate to maintain appropriate SBP for age
- For patients with an advanced airway already in place and return of a gag reflex. Administer ONCE via IV/IO:
 - ET intubated PTs
 - Fentanyl 1mcg/kg AND
 - Midazolam 0.1mg/kg
 - Supraglottic Airway PTs
 - Fentanyl 0.5mcg/kg