

TELEMETRY PREPRINTED ORDERS

HOSPITALIST PATIENT

1. Maintain constant ECG monitoring via telemetry.
2. Start and maintain saline lock per protocol.
3. For respiratory distress: Call for a rapid response and:
 - Start and maintain O₂ @ 2 L / min via nasal cannula.
 - Monitor SaO₂ and titrate O₂ to obtain SaO₂ ≥ 90%.
 - Establish/maintain a patent airway, including, tracheal suctioning, and replacing of tracheostomy tubes
 - Use equipment to assist respirations, including oropharyngeal and nasal airways, O₂ delivery devices or ambu-bags.

Admit to Telemetry for continuous SpO2 monitoring ONLY

4. For chest/arm/jaw pain: Call for a rapid response and:
 - Start and maintain O₂ @ 2 L / min via nasal cannula.
 - **Nitroglycerine** ...In the presence of chest pain obtain a STAT EKG and then if systolic BP > 90mmHg, administer 0.4mg Nitroglycerine sublingually. May repeat every five (5) minutes X 2.
5. For Arrhythmias – Call for a Rapid Response and for symptomatic bradycardia:
 - **Atropine** ...In the presence of symptomatic bradycardia, administer Atropine 0.5—1.0mg IVP. May repeat every 3-5 minutes to a total of 3mg (0.04mg/Kg)
 - For non-sustained ventricular tachycardia call physician for > than _____ beats per minute.
 - **Amiodarone** ...Administer Amiodarone 150mg IV slowly over 10 minutes for sustained ventricular tachycardia (> 30 seconds with HR ≥ 100).
 - For **VF**—ventricular fibrillation or symptomatic ventricular tachycardia as defined below
Use DC defibrillator per ACLS guidelines for ventricular fibrillation or in the care of ventricular tachycardia when patient is pulseless, unconscious, or hemodynamically unstable.
6. Order ABGs, chest X-ray, 12-lead ECG and/or rhythm strips as needed
7. May transfer the patient to ICU in the event patient suddenly deteriorates and requires more focused observation/nursing care.
8. **Notify physician of significant change in status.**
9. Other specifications: _____

Physician Signature:		Date:		Time:	
Clerk Signature:			RN Signature:		
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