

8.02 PEDIATRIC ALTERED MENTAL STATUS

KNOWN OR SUSPECTED HYPOGLYCEMIA

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ALS Treatment
<p>Current American Heart Association Guidelines concerning Emergency Cardiac Care assessments and interventions shall always take precedence over local protocols when there is a conflict concerning techniques of resuscitation.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advanced airway if indicated• IV or IO of Normal Saline 10 ml/kg.• Check blood glucose. If blood glucose <60 mg/dl: administer Dextrose• If no IV or IO access: administer Glucagon

AMS OF UNKNOWN CAUSE

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APPARENT LIFE THREATENING EVENT (ALTE)

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ALTE is defined as:

- Age less than or equal to 2 years old.
- Episode frightening to the observer (may think the infant has died) and involves some combination of:
 - Apnea;
 - Color change (cyanosis, pallor, erythema, plethora);
 - Marked change in muscle tone (limpness);
 - Choking or gagging.