

Key to Protocol Utilization

History

- Important history items
- Circumstances of event
- SAMPLE
- Time of onset
- Duration

Signs and Symptoms

- Important Signs and Symptoms specific to each protocol

Differential

- A list of other disease or injury which should be considered

Black Box

Highlights Important Information



Universal Patient Care Protocol
Assumed all protocols utilize and will not appear on individual protocols

Red Box

Highlights Critical Information

May direct to another protocol



Signals protocol within a protocol

Information box

Indicates Entry / Exit from / to another protocol(s)



Decision Point
 Darker outline to highlight



Highlights medication after Contact Medical Control
 May be added by Local Medical Director

Purple Shading of Information Box

Indicates items changeable at local agency level, including medications / dosages on NCMB formulary
 Local Medical Director may add / change at his / her discretion
 Local medical director may add page 2 to any protocol where none exists for additional comments

Algorithm Legend

	Emergency Medical Responder
B	Emergency Medical Technician
A	Advanced Emergency Medical Technician
P	Paramedic
	Notify Destination or Contact Medical Control

Pearls

- Important information specific to each protocol will appear here.
- Will usually appear on page.
- Important exam items listed here specific to protocol.