

<b>Supraventricular Tachycardia</b>	
<b>ADULT</b>	<b>PEDIATRIC</b>
<b>BLS Procedures</b>	
Administer oxygen as indicated	
<b>ALS Standing Orders</b>	
<p>Valsalva maneuver IV/IO access</p> <p><u>Stable</u> - Mild to moderate chest pain/SOB</p> <p><b>Adenosine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ IV/IO – 6 mg rapid push immediately followed by 10-20 mL NS flush</li> </ul> <p>No conversion or rate control</p> <p><b>Adenosine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ IV/IO – 12 mg rapid push immediately followed by 10-20 mL NS flush</li> <li>○ May repeat x 1 if no conversion or rate control</li> </ul> <p><u>Unstable</u> - ALOC, signs of shock or CHF</p> <p><b>Synchronized Cardioversion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Zoll</b> 100, 120, 150, 200 Joules</li> <li>○ <b>Lifepak</b> 100, 200, 300, 360 Joules</li> <li>○ Consider sedation prior to cardioversion for special circumstances.</li> </ul> <p><u>Special Circumstances*</u></p> <p><b>Fentanyl</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1 mcg/kg IV/ IO / IN prior to electrical therapy.</li> </ul>	<p>Valsalva maneuver IV/IO access</p> <p><u>Stable</u> - Mild to moderate chest pain/SOB</p> <p><b>Adenosine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ IV/IO – 0.1 mg/kg (max 6 mg) rapid push immediately followed by 10-20 mL NS flush</li> </ul> <p>No conversion or rate control</p> <p><b>Adenosine</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ IV/IO – 0.2 mg/kg (max 12 mg) rapid push immediately followed by 10-20 mL NS flush</li> <li>○ May repeat x 1 if no conversion or rate control</li> </ul> <p><u>Unstable</u> - ALOC, signs of shock or CHF</p> <p><b>Synchronized Cardioversion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 0.5, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8 joules/kg</li> <li>○ Consider sedation prior to cardioversion for special circumstances.</li> </ul> <p><u>Special Circumstances*</u></p> <p><b>Fentanyl</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1 mcg/kg IV/ IO / IN prior to electrical therapy.</li> </ul>
<b>Base Hospital Orders only</b>	
Consult with ED Physician for further treatment measures	
<p>Additional Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ *Special circumstances for sedation prior to cardioversion include fully awake and alert, patients with unstable vital signs.</li> <li>○ Adenosine temporarily blocks AV nodal conduction with the goal of terminating AVNRT. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Administration should be reserved for cases with a high suspicion of electrical dysfunction and where heart rate is suspected to be the cause of symptoms. Generally, treatment should be reserved for heart rates greater than 150.</li> <li>○ Consider patient potential underlying causes of tachycardia (sepsis, hypovolemia, heart failure) to aid in identifying cases where transport without Adenosine administration may be appropriate.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Synchronized cardioversion is indicated for unstable patients with any tachycardic dysrhythmia including rapidly conducting atrial fibrillation and rapidly conducting atrial flutter.</li> </ul> <p>Document all ECG strips during adenosine administration and/or synchronized cardioversion.</p>	

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