

Medical Emergencies M-1 Abdominal Pain

Priorities
 Airway/Breathing/Circulation
 Identify signs of shock
 Treat cardiac dysrhythmias according to the appropriate protocol
 Keep patient NPO
 Early Transport
 Early contact of receiving hospital

Stabilize Airway
Oxygen – Titrate to SpO2 >95%

Cardiac Monitor

Consider IV/IO TKO
 for severe pain

NO
Hypotension Present?
Yes

CONSIDER
Morphine 2mg SLOW IV/IO/IM q 5 minutes
 max dose of 8mg

OR
Fentanyl 25mcg SLOW IV/IO/IM/IN
 q 5 minutes to a max dose of 100mcg

 Titrate Morphine or Fentanyl to pain and SBP >100

IV/IO Access – Large bore and wide open
 Recheck vital signs every NS 250mL until SBP >100 or until clinical condition improves

 Consider second IV if appropriate

Contact Base Physician for
 Additional Medication Orders

Transport

DISRUPTED COMMUNICATIONS
 In the event of a "disrupted communications" situation where a base hospital physician CANNOT be contacted for orders, Solano County Paramedics MAY NOT utilize the portions of this protocol requiring base physician orders AND must transport to the closest receiving facility.