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# Pediatric Drowning/Near Drowning/Submersion

### **Pre-Medical Control**

### MFR/EMT/SPECIALIST/PARAMEDIC

- 1. Follow Pediatric Assessment and Treatment Protocol
- 2. If pulse is absent:
  - A. If documented submersion time is greater than 1 hour refer to the **Dead on Scene Procedure.**
  - B. In normothermic patients, initiate CPR and refer to **Pediatric Cardiac Arrest General Protocol**.
  - C. If the patient is hypothermic, go to **Hypothermia Cardiac Arrest Protocol.**
  - D. Prevent further heat loss by transport in a warm environment. Patient should be dry.

# 3. If pulse is present:

- A. Assess patient's temperature.
- B. If patient is hypothermic, go to **Hypothermia/Frostbite Protocol**.
- C. Prevent further heat loss by transport in a warm environment. Patient should be kept dry.

### **EMT/SPECIALIST/PARAMEDIC**

- D. Consider CPAP/BiPAP (if available) per CPAP/BiPAP Procedure
- 4. Contact Medical Control if no transport is considered or requested.



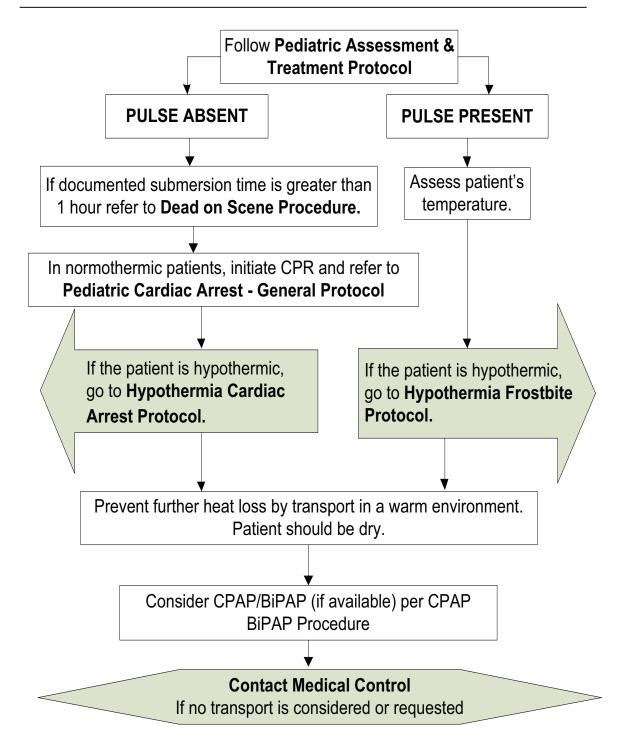
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