Clackamas County EMS Operations

Universal precautions

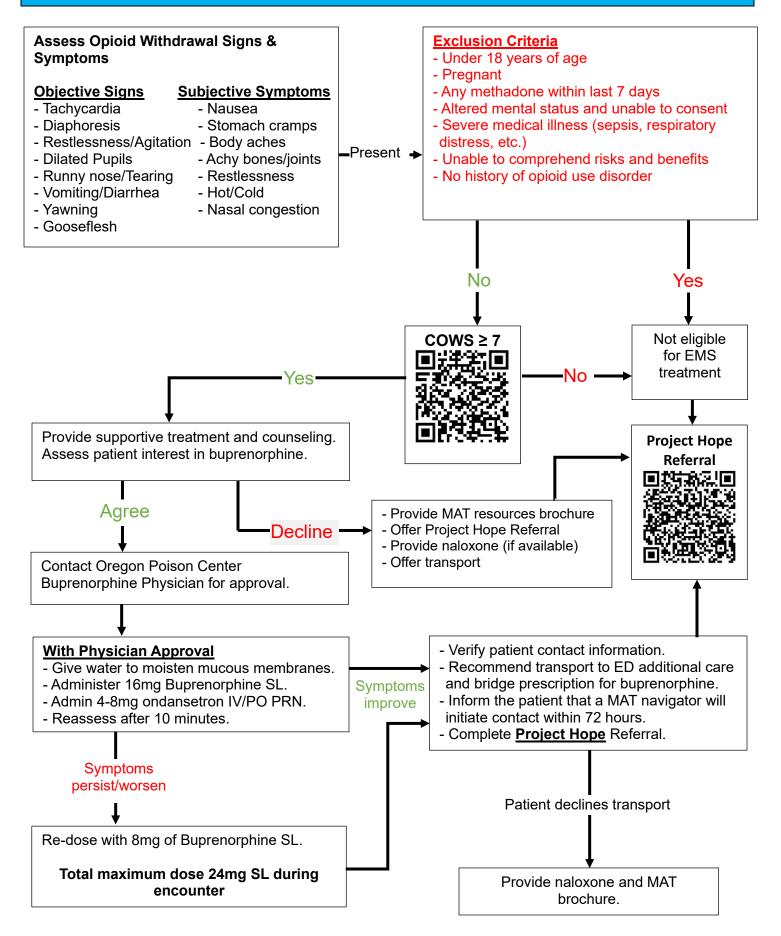
- Use personal protective equipment. Gloves for all patient contact. Protective barriers to prevent exposure to blood, body fluids containing visible blood, and other fluids to which universal precautions apply.
- Take care to prevent injuries when using needles, scalpels, and other sharp instruments or devices. Do not recap used needles. Place used disposable syringes and needles, scalpel blades, and other sharp items in puncture-resistant containers for disposal.
- Immediately and thoroughly wash hands and other skin surfaces that are contaminated with blood, body fluids containing visible blood, or other body fluids to which universal precautions apply.

Respiratory Precautions

For any patient with fever and respiratory symptoms or other symptoms suggesting potentially contagious respiratory disease:

- Use personal protective equipment including gown, gloves and N 95 or better mask. Use eye protection of any chance of splash
- Consider limiting exposure by decreasing the number of people who enter the area until a mask is on the patient. Until a mask is on the patient, personnel should attempt to maintain a distance of 3 6 feet from the patient.
- Place a surgical mask on the patient
- When transporting patient provide receiving hospital early warning that you are transporting a patient with a potentially contagious respiratory illness
- Remove gloves and clean hands between patients after removing personal protective equipment
- Clean and disinfect equipment including personal equipment such as stethoscopes between patients.

Opioid Withdrawal: Adult Medical Treatment Guideline – 90.200



		Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:
Patient name:					
		Time:	Time:	Time:	Time:
Opioid(s) last used: Date & tim	ne opioid(s) last used:	Time.	Time.	Time.	Time.
Resting Pulse Rate (bpm): Measured after patient is sitting or lying for one minute					
	se rate 101-120				
-	se rate greater than 120				
Sweating: Over past ¹ / ₂ hour not accounted for by room temperature or patient activity.					
0 no report of chills or flushing 3 bea	ads of sweat on brow or face				
1 subjective report of chills or flushing 4 swe	eat streaming off face				
2 flushed or observable moistness on face					
Restlessness: Observation during assessment					
0 able to sit still 5 Una	able to sit still for more than a few				
1 reports difficulty sitting still, but is able to do so sec	conds				
3 frequent shifting or extraneous movements of legs/arm					
Pupil size:					
0 pupils pinned or normal size for room light 2 pup	pils moderately dilated				
1 pupils possibly larger than normal for room light 5 pu	pils dilated, only the rim of iris visible				
Bone or Joint aches: If patient was having pain previously, only the additional component is scored					
0 not present 4 pat	tient is rubbing joints or muscles and is				
1 mild diffuse discomfort un	hable to sit still because of discomfort				
2 patient reports severe diffuse aching of joints/ muscles					
Runny nose or tearing: Not accounted for by cold symptoms or allergies					
0 not present 4 no	ose constantly running or tears				
1 nasal stuffiness or unusually moist eyes structure	reaming down cheeks				
2 nose running or tearing					
GI Upset: Over last ¹ / ₂ hour					
• •	omiting or diarrhea				
	ultiple episodes of diarrhea or vomiting				
2 nausea or loose stool					
Tremor: Observation of outstretched hands					
	ght tremor observable				
	oss tremor or muscle twitching				
Yawning: Observation during assessment					
	wring ≥ 3 times during assessment				
	wning several times/minute				
Anxiety or irritability:					
	tient so irritable or anxious that				
	rticipation in the assessment is difficult				
2 patient obviously irritable anxious					
Gooseflesh skin:					
-	rominent piloerection				
3 piloerection of skin can be felt, arm hairs standing up					
Total score (Please chart in nursing notes): Score: 5-12 = mild; 13-24 = moderate; 25-36 = moderately severe; greater than 36 = severe					
Score: $5-12 = m11a$; $13-24 = moderate$; $25-36 = moderate$	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
	Initials:				

PURPOSE:

Fire Medic Units licensed as ambulances by the state may transport patients in Clackamas County when:

- Providing service within their assigned ambulance service area
- Providing mutual aid
- Directed to transport during mass casualty incidents by incident command
- Requested by the County in the event of a sudden or anticipated loss of ambulance service caused by natural or man-made disaster or a work stoppage
- · Requested by a transporting agency during inclement weather
- Criteria for the Fire Medic Unit Emergency Transport protocol are met

FIRE MEDIC UNIT EMERGENCY TRANSPORT PROTOCOL

After assessment, Fire Medic Units licensed as ambulances by the state may transport patients if **all** the following conditions are met:

- 1. The patient is ready to be transported, and
- 2. A Fire Medic Unit is on scene or can arrive more quickly than the responding ambulance as determined by the PSAP, and
- 3. In the best judgment of the paramedic, the patient needs **immediate** transport because of life threatening illness or injury requiring a critical hospital intervention. These include:
 - Inability to secure an adequate airway
 - Shock
 - Abnormal childbirth
 - Trauma system entry
 - Cardiac or respiratory arrest
 - Seizures unresponsive to treatment
 - Severe respiratory distress unresponsive to treatment

DOCUMENTATION AND COMMUNICATION

- 1. The PSAP will be notified of the transport.
- 2. A hard copy of the Patient Care Report will be left at the hospital.
- 3. The County EMS medical director and administrator will be notified of transports resulting from following the Emergency Transport protocol the next business day.