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Behavioral B-1 Behavioral Emergencies in Adults

PRIORITIES

SCENE SAFETY: Above all protect yourself and others.

ABC's

Identify and correct treatable causes for behavior

Document all physical/psychological findings

Early transport

Early notification of receiving hospital

One rescuer must assume control of the scene to minimize confusion on direction of patient care. If the patient refuses care and transport, obtain a 5150 hold from law enforcement if possible.

BLS and General Treatment VERBAL INTERVENTION Always attempt verbal intervention first to de-escalate the situation. Speak in a calm, reassuring, but firm voice when approaching and caring for the patient. Verbal Intervention NO Yes Failed and Restraints Required? **Physical Restraint** Physical Exam including mental status and Glasgow Coma Scale Obtain appropriate assistance (law enforcement, other rescuers, etc.) of at least four people to restrain the patient. Oxygen Pulse Oximetry Restrain the patient and document, per Policy 6143, Titrate SpO2 ≥95% Patient Restraint. **ALS Treatment** Blood Glucose Check Yes For continued agitation for violent behavior consider: **ALS Treatment** Midazolam 2mg IV/IO OR Midazolam 2mg - 4mg IM/IN Consider IV/IO NS TKO May repeat once for a max dose of 4mg IV/IO of 8mg IM/IN for further continued agitation or violent behavior. Midazolam may be given prior to physical restraint if the Treat any patient is too severely agitated or violent that physical reversible causes restraint cannot be preformed safely. Continued of ALOC per Agitation/ Violent appropriate Behavior? protocol If administering Midazolam concurrently with Protocol N-2, only give combined max dose of Midazolam 20mg IM/IN OR Midazolam 8mg IV/IO

DISRUPTED COMMUNICATIONS

Transport

Contact Base Physician for

Additional Medication Orders

In the event of a "disrupted communications" situation, Solano County Paramedics may utilize all portions of this treatment protocol without Base Hospital Contact as needed to stabilize an immediate patient.