

CHILDBIRTH	
NORMAL	COMPLICATIONS
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Universal Protocol #601 Pulse Oximetry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> O₂ administration per Airway Management Protocol #602 <p style="text-align: center;">Delivery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient assessment with visual exam of perineum for crowning Control head and speed of delivery Check for cord around neck Deliver upper, then lower shoulder Dry, stimulate, and wrap baby Suction airway as needed Cut and clamp cord 6" from newborn's umbilicus Healthy infant to mother's breast Prepare for delivery of placenta <p style="text-align: center;">Postpartum Hemorrhage Control</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Perform visual exam to determine site of bleeding For perineal tear, apply direct pressure Firmly massage fundus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Universal Protocol #601 Pulse Oximetry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> O₂ administration per Airway Management Protocol #602 <p style="text-align: center;">Initiate Transport Early</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hypertension BP > 180/110 mmHg Seizures — follow Seizure Protocol #620 Vaginal bleeding in last trimester <u>not</u> associated with labor may indicate Placenta Previa/Abruptio Breech/Limb presentation Prolapsed cord – Place mother in knee-chest position. Feel cord for pulse. With gloved hand, push baby into vagina slightly to take pressure off cord. Maintain this position. Do <u>not</u> attempt to push cord back <p style="text-align: center;">Newborn Viability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gestation ≤20 weeks without signs of life (pulseless, not breathing) are not considered viable. Resuscitation may be withheld by first responder <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If gestational age is uncertain – initiate resuscitation and contact nearest Base hospital Provider judgement of scene may also warrant initiation of resuscitation efforts in gestation of ≤ 20 week newborn If resuscitation initiated - contact nearest Base Hospital
ALS Standing Orders	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer to appropriate protocol based on patient's presentation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer to appropriate protocol based on patient's presentation
Base Hospital Orders Only	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As needed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As needed

Notes



- Knee-chest position for prolapse cord presentation (above)
- General guideline transport in left lateral position Obtain Para/Gravida
- Refer to policy #125 for withholding resuscitation on pre-term fetal delivery ≤ 20 weeks gestation.
- If delivery of neonate with gestational age ≤ 20 weeks without resuscitation efforts, transport of post-partum patient is still encouraged. Use OB-kit swaddle/blanket for transport of neonate with mother.
- If resuscitation of gestational age ≤ 20 weeks is initiated, continue with newborn resuscitation per protocol #641 with early base hospital notification and rapid transport.