

The Emergency Treatment Guidelines provide a framework and reference point for EMS personnel. The intent is to establish an acceptable standard for managing patients who are ill or injured. The Guidelines have been reviewed by a variety of physicians, EMS personnel, and others involved in the care of patients in the EMS environment. While every effort has been made to ensure the Guidelines are current and medically sound, it is inevitable that medical care will evolve. Every effort will be made to maintain these Guidelines so they reflect sound paramedical practice. If inconsistencies or other irregularities are noted, please forward them to Emergency Medical Services Branch, Manitoba Health & Healthy Living using the form in Appendix 16.

GENERAL

1. Code of Ethics
2. Scope and Function
3. Scene Assessment
4. Triage
5. Primary Survey
6. Shock
7. Load and Go
8. Secondary Survey
9. Unconscious Patient
- 10A. Obstructed Airway Adult & Child
- 10B. Obstructed Airway Infant
11. Airway Management
12. Dyspnea and Respiratory Distress
13. Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
14. Refusal of Care
15. Determination of Death
16. Emergency Vehicle Operations
17. Medical First Response
18. *not assigned*
19. Infectious and Communicable Diseases
20. Controlled Substances
21. Response to an Expected Death at Home
22. Automated External Defibrillation
23. Other Professional at Scene
24. Operation of Ambulance by Fire Fighter

MEDICAL

1. Chest Pain
2. Congestive Heart Failure
3. (contents incorporated into other guidelines)
4. Chronic Respiratory Diseases
5. Cerebrovascular Accident
- 5B. Acute Stroke Management
6. Seizures
7. Diabetic Emergencies
8. Anaphylaxis
9. Abdominal Pain
10. Obstetrical Emergencies
11. Poisoning

GENERAL: Introduction and Table of Contents

12. Drug and Alcohol Abuse
13. Mental Health Emergencies
14. Obstetrical Triage

TRAUMA

1. Soft Tissue Injuries and Wounds
2. External and Internal Bleeding
3. Amputations
4. Fractures and Dislocations
5. Central Nervous System Injuries
6. Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat Injuries
7. Chest Injuries
8. Abdominal Injuries
9. Genital Injuries
10. Burns
11. Sexual Assault
12. Trauma Triage

ENVIRONMENTAL EMERGENCIES

1. Cold Related
2. Heat Related
3. Near Drowning

APPENDICES

1. EMS Drug Formulary
2. Routes for Drug Administration
3. Splinting and Immobilization
4. Glasgow Coma Scale
5. APGAR Scoring Scale
6. Normal Vital Signs
7. Age-appropriate Weights
8. Fleetnet Radio Identification Numbers
9. Priority for Patient Transport
10. Personal Health Information Act
11. Health Care Directives Act
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- 13.
14. Medical Abbreviations
15. Metric Conversion
16. Process for Revision of Treatment Guidelines
17. Tubes Maintenance
18. End of Life Directive
19. Pulse Oximetry

The Treatment Guidelines were disseminated to all EMS providers in Manitoba in July 2001, and are available on the Emergency Medical Services website – www.gov.mb.ca/health/ems/index.html. The Treatment Guidelines became the standard of care in Manitoba on January 1, 2002. The Treatment Guidelines have since been reviewed and revised. A summary of the revisions is available on the Emergency Medical Services website.