## **Pediatric Diabetic**

## **History**

- Past medical history
- Medications
- Recent blood glucose check
- Last meal

## Signs and Symptoms

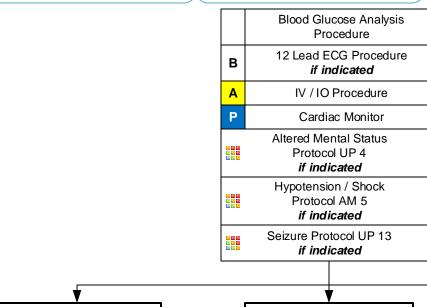
- Altered mental status
- Combative / irritable
- Diaphoresis
- Seizures
- Abdominal pain
- Nausea / vomiting
- Weakness
- Dehydration
- Deep / rapid breathing

## Differential

- Alcohol / drug use
- Toxic ingestion
- Trauma; head injury
- Seizure
- CVA

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Altered baseline mental status.



Blood glucose ≤ 69 mg/dl Symptomatic with NO IV / IO Access: Awake, alert and able to tolerate oral agent: Give oral glucose solution.

**0.1 mg/kg IM (Maximum 1 mg)**Repeat every 15 minutes as needed to keep Blood glucose > 60 mg / dl.

If unable to tolerate oral: Glucagon

Blood Sugar ≤ 69 mg / dl

# Oral Glucose 1/2 to 1 Tube If age appropriate

## Consider Oral Solution (Juices / Food)

Dextrose Infusion
Use D10W premixed 250 mL Bag

## For patients under 50 kg

D10W 5 mL/kg IV/IO, Repeat as needed. Titrate to patient condition and effect

For patients 50 kg or greater D10W premixed 250 mL IV /IO Titrate to patient condition, max initial dose of 12.5 Grams(125 mL) Assess patient 5 min post administration.

Repeat 12.5 Grams PRN

Blood Sugar 70 – 249 mg / dl

Blood Glucose Analysis Procedure if condition changes

> Exit to Appropriate Protocol(s)

Blood Sugar ≥ 250 mg / dl

Normal Saline Bolus 10 - 20 mL/kg IV / IO

Maximum 20 mL/kg

Monitor and Reassess Every 5 minutes Until Blood Glucose ≥ 80 mg / dl

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Notify Destination or Contact Medical Control

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# **Pediatric Medical Protocol Section**

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## **Pearls**

- Recommended Exam: Mental Status, HEENT, Skin, Heart, Lungs, Abdomen, Back, Extremities, Neuro
- Patients with prolonged hypoglycemia my not respond to glucagon.
- Do not administer oral glucose to patients that are not able to swallow or protect their airway.
- Quality control checks should be maintained per manufacturers recommendation for all glucometers.
- D10 / D25 Preparation:
  - D10: Remove 10 mL of D50 from a D50 vial. Add 40 mL of NS with the 10 mL of D50 total volume 50 mL.
  - D10: Alternative, Discard 40 mL from the D50 vial and draw up 40 mL of NS total volume 50 mL.

## Patient's refusing transport to medical facility after treatment of hypoglycemia:

Adult caregiver must be present with pediatric patient.

Blood sugar must be ≥ 80, patient has ability to eat and availability of food with responders on scene.

Patient must have known history of diabetes and not taking any oral diabetic agents.

Patient returns to normal mental status and has a normal neurological exam with no new neurological deficits. Must demonstrate capacity to make informed health care decisions. See Universal Patient Care Protocol UP-1. Otherwise contact medical control.

### Hypoglycemia with Oral Agents:

Patients taking oral diabetic medications should be strongly encouraged to allow transportation to a medical facility. They are at risk of recurrent hypoglycemia that can be delayed for hours and require close monitoring even after normal blood glucose is established. Not all oral agents have prolonged action so Contact Medical Control for advice. Patients who meet criteria to refuse care should be instructed to contact their physician immediately and consume a meal.

## Hypoglycemia with Insulin Agents:

Many forms of insulin now exist. Longer acting insulin places the patient at risk of recurrent hypoglycemia even after a normal blood glucose is established. Not all insulins have prolonged action so Contact Medical Control for advice. Patients who meet criteria to refuse care should be instructed to contact their physician immediately and consume a meal.