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## Purpose:

- A. To establish the treatment standard for pediatric patients assessed with a partial or complete airway obstruction by a foreign body.
- B. To establish a treatment standard for pediatric patients assessed to be in respiratory arrest.

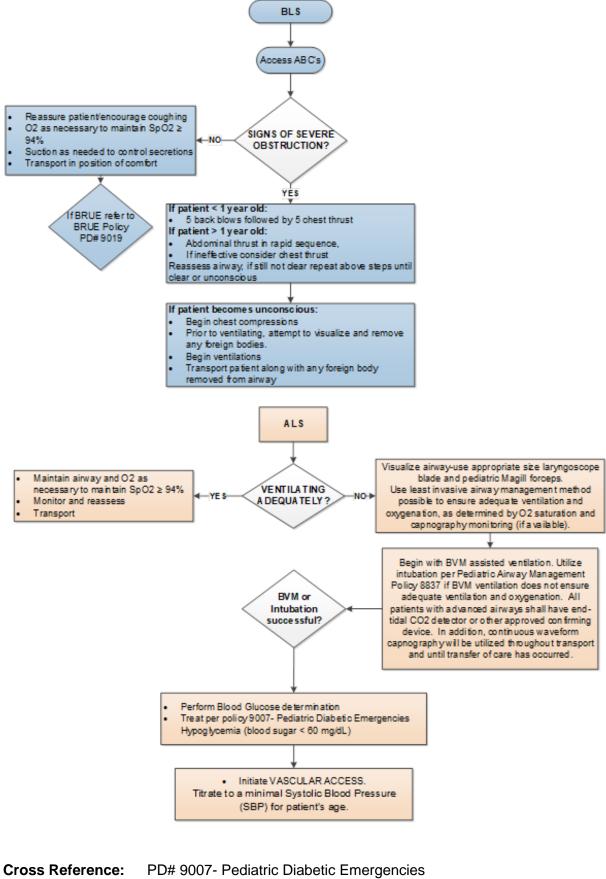
## Authority:

- A. California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5
- B. California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9

## Protocol:

Blind finger sweeps shall NOT be used. Keep patient calm and in position of comfort.

- A. Signs and symptoms of foreign body airway obstruction (FBAO):
  - 1. Sudden onset of respiratory distress with coughing
  - 2. Gagging
  - 3. Stridor
  - 4. Wheezing
- B. Signs of severe obstruction:
  - 1. Poor air exchange
  - 2. Increased breathing difficulty
  - 3. Silent cough
  - 4. Cyanosis
  - 5. Inability to speak or breathe



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