

V-FIB/PULSELESS V-TACH

START MANUAL CPR

- Give O2 via BVM
- Attach monitor/defibrillator
- Apply defibrillator pads in anterior/posterior position
- IV/IO access

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CPR 2 min

Shockable Rhythm?

No →

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CPR 2 min

- Consider advanced airway

- **Epinephrine** (0.1mg/ml) 1mg IV/IO
- Repeat every 3-5min
- Max: 3 doses

Shockable Rhythm?

No →

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CPR 2 min

- Treat reversible causes

- **Amiodarone** 300mg IV/IO
- Repeat in 3-5min 150mg

If VF/pVT after 3rd Shock

Apply additional set of defibrillation pads in standard (apical) placement



If VF/pVT after 4th Shock

- If not already in place, apply Mechanical CPR device
- Transport to SRC

Go to Policy:

- **Asystole/PEA, C 2**
- **ROSC, C 10**

CRITICAL INFORMATION

- Compress at 100-120/min, 2” depth with full recoil of chest
- Mechanical CPR for transport

Airway Management

- BLS airway preferred during first 5 minutes
- Do not interrupt CPR for >10 seconds for intubation
- Use continuous ETCO2

Drug Therapy.

- If ROSC after **Amiodarone**, consider **Amiodarone drip** 150mg in 100ml NS, 1mg/min = 40gtts/min with 60gtt/ml tubing
- If hyperkalemia is suspected in renal dialysis patients, give 1 gram of 10% **Calcium Chloride** IV/IO and 50mEq of **Sodium Bicarbonate** IV/IO

Reversible Causes

- Hypovolemia
- Hypoxia
- Hydrogen Ion (Acidosis)
- Hypo/Hyperkalemia
- Hypothermia
- Tension Pneumothorax
- Tamponade (cardiac)
- Toxins
- Thrombus

- 📞 **PHYSICIAN CONSULT** to transport rVF patients with: age >75yrs, terminal diagnosis, unwitnessed arrest, non-cardiac etiology (known or suspected)