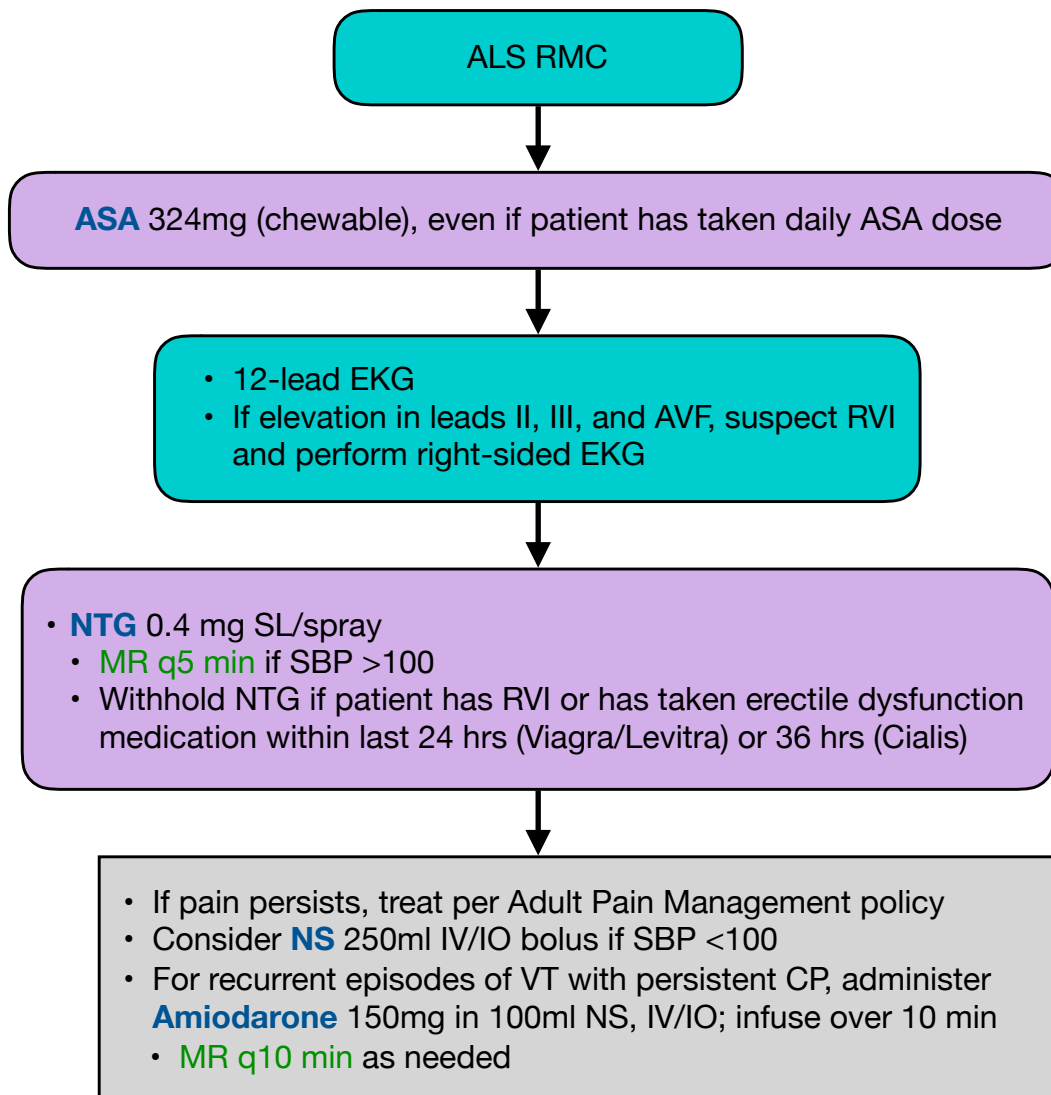


CHEST PAIN/ACUTE CORONARY SYNDROME

Indications

- Chest discomfort or pain, suggestive of cardiac origin.
- Other symptoms of Acute Coronary Syndrome (ACS) may include weakness, nausea, vomiting, diaphoresis, dyspnea, dizziness, palpitations, indigestion
- Atypical symptoms or “silent MIs” (women, elderly, and diabetics)



SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- IV access before **NTG** if SBP <120 or if patient doesn't routinely take **NTG**
- Routine O2 administration unnecessary if SpO2 >93%
- Infarctions may be present with normal 12-leads
- Consider other potential causes of chest pain: pulmonary embolus, pneumonia, aortic aneurysm, and pneumothorax