PEDIATRIC ALTERED LEVEL OF CONSCIOUSNESS (ALOC)

ALWAYS USE STANDARD PRECAUTIONS

INDICATION
- Abnormal neurologic state where child is less alert and interactive than is age appropriate

CRITICAL INFORMATION
- Measure with color-coded resuscitation tape and treat according to the Pediatric Dosing Guide (P18A). Apply corresponding wrist band.
- Neonate = birth to four weeks; infant = four weeks to 1 year; child = 1-14 years; adolescent = >14 years
- Narcan is contraindicated with neonatal resuscitation

TREATMENT
- ALS RMC
- Check blood glucose and treat if < 60 mg/dl (neonate < 40 mg/dl):
  - Neonate = D10W 2 ml/kg IV/IO over 10 minutes
  - > Neonate: D10W 5 ml/kg IV/IO over 10 minutes
- If unable to establish vascular access; Glucagon .03 mg/kg (max = 1 mg) IM; MR x 2 q 15 minute intervals
- Narcan 0.1 mg/kg IM/IV/IO/IN. MR Q 5 minutes up to 2 mg if no improvement in ALOC and strong suspicion of opiate exposure

RELATED POLICIES/ PROCEDURES
- Intranasal Medications Midazolam (Versed) and Narcan ALS PR 7
- Pediatric Dosing Guide P18A