

Lower GI Bleeding

For bleeding from the rectum and/or bright red bloody stools

History

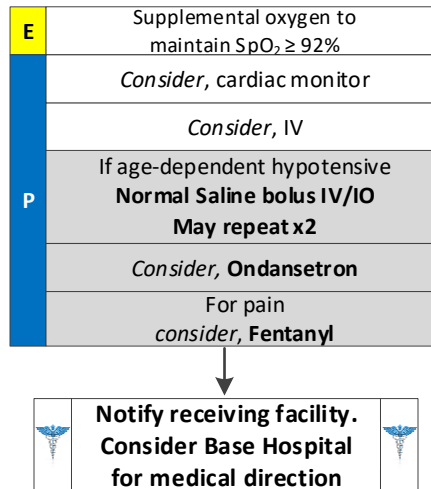
- Age
- Past medical history
- Food history
- Medications
- Number of episodes
- Weight loss

Signs and Symptoms

- Hematochezia (bright red blood per rectum)
- Hematemesis
- Syncope

Differential

- Cancer
- Vascular malformation
- Infectious diarrhea
- Fissure
- Hemorrhoids
- Food allergy
- Intussusception
- Meckel's diverticulum
- Sexual abuse



Pearl

- For massive blood loss establish an IV and administer fluids.