### Pediatric 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

### Treatment Protocol

**E**
- Supplemental oxygen to maintain $\text{SpO}_2 \geq 92\%$
- Consider, cardiac monitor

**P**
- Consider, IV
- If age-dependent hypotensive
- Normal Saline bolus IV/IO
- May repeat x2
- Consider, Ondansetron
- For pain
- Consider, Fentanyl

**Notify receiving facility. Consider Base Hospital for medical direction**

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