

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

E	Supplemental oxygen to maintain SpO ₂ ≥ 92%
	<i>Consider, cardiac monitor</i>
P	<i>Consider, IV</i>
	If age-dependent hypotensive Normal Saline bolus IV/IO May repeat x2
	<i>Consider, Ondansetron</i>
	For pain <i>consider, Fentanyl</i>
	Notify receiving facility. Consider Base Hospital for medical direction

Pearl

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

