

# Syncope/Near Syncope

For syncope (transient loss of consciousness). NOT for cardiac arrest; use primary impression Cardiac Arrest – Non-Traumatic only

### History

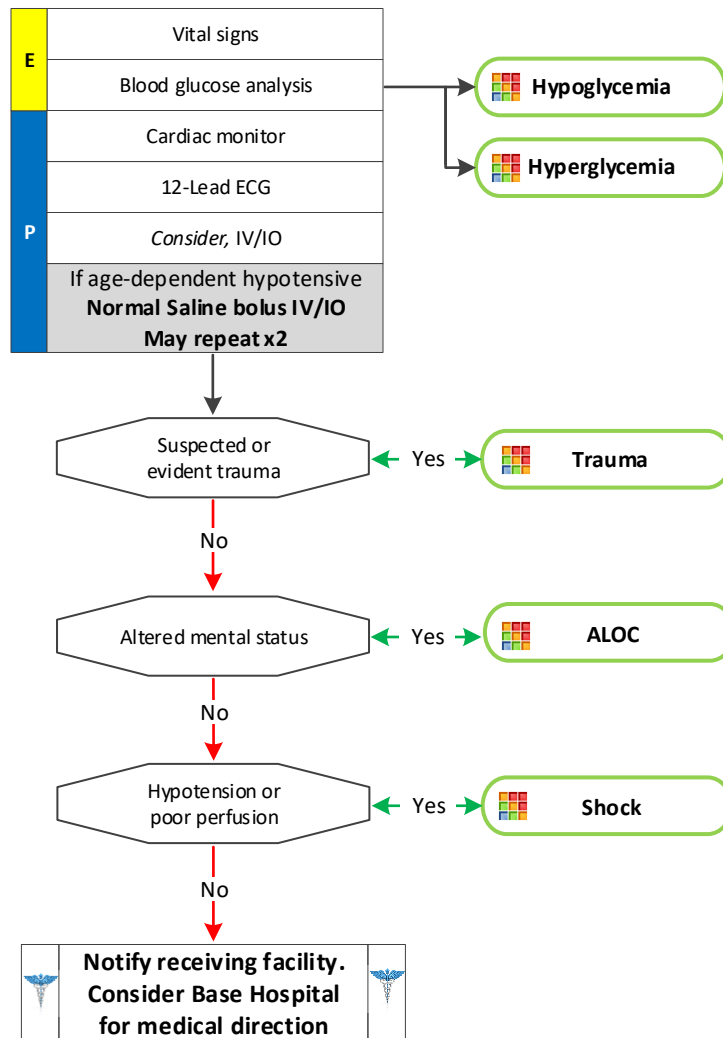
- History of cardiac, stroke or seizures
- Occult blood loss
- Females: vaginal bleeding
- Fluid loss: nausea, vomiting or diarrhea
- Past medical history
- Medications
- Recent air travel

### Signs and Symptoms

- Loss of consciousness with recovery
- Lightheadedness or dizziness
- Palpitations
- Pulse irregularity
- Hypotension

### Differential

- Vasovagal
- Orthostatic hypotension
- Cardiac syncope
- Micturition or defecation syncope
- Psychogenic syncope
- Stroke
- Hypoglycemia
- Seizure
- Shock
- Toxicological
- Medication effect (hypotension)
- Pulmonary embolism



### Pearls

- Consider dysrhythmias, GI bleed, and seizure as possible cause of syncope.