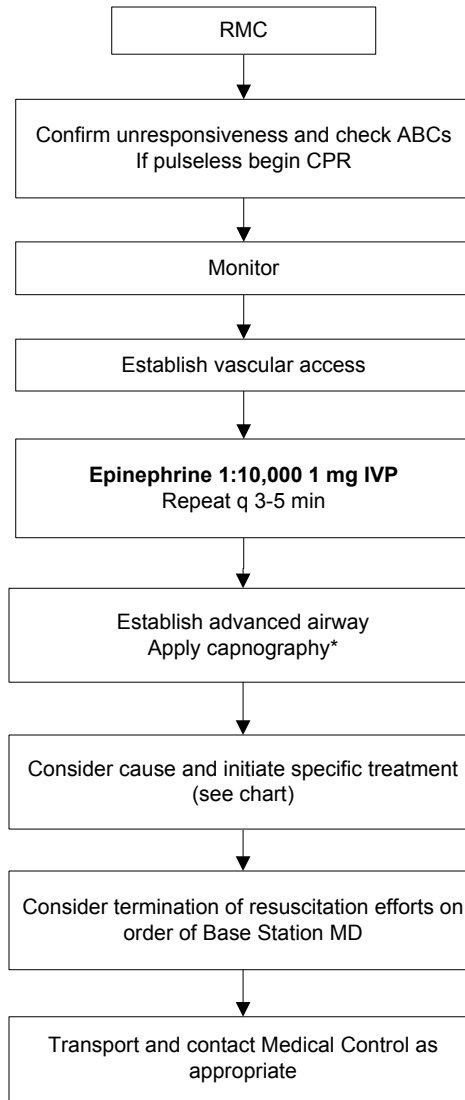


PULSELESS ELECTRICAL ACTIVITY / ASYSTOLE - ALS



<u>CAUSES</u>	<u>SPECIFIC TREATMENT</u>
Hypoxemia.....	Check placement of advanced airway and ventilation
Tension pneumothorax.....	Needle thoracentesis
Toxicity/O.D.....	Narcan 0.8 – 2 mg IV or 2 mg nebulized
Dialysis patient/Renal failure/ Hyperkalemia.....	CaCl₂ 10ml IVP Bicarb 1-2 mEq/kg IVP
Hypovolemia.....	Normal Saline bolus
Metabolic acidosis prolonged down time.....	Consider Bicarb 1-2 mEq/kg IVP at Base Station discretion
Hypoglycemia.....	Dextrose

* If PETCO < 10 mmHg, attempt to improve CPR quality

For patients with ROSC, see Adult Post-Cardiac Arrest Care & Therapeutic Hypothermia (ALS Appendix I-5.1 – I-5.2)