PEDIATRIC ALTERED MENTAL STATUS - BLS

PRMC

Request ALS assistance

Spinal Motion Restriction as indicated

Check Blood Sugar

BS < 60 mg/dl

Oral Glucose (if gag reflex is intact):
1 mo – 4 years: ¼ tube
4-8 years: ½ tube
>8 years: 1 tube

BS > 60 mg/dl

Assess for respiratory effort

If signs of opioid intoxication with respiratory depression administer Naloxone
0 – 4 years: 1 mg/IN
> 4 years: 2 mg/IN

Consider other causes of altered mental status

BLS Non-Transport

Prepare for transport and contact Medical Control as appropriate

BLS Ambulance

Transport and contact Medical Control as appropriate

Special Considerations:
Consider causes:

A Alcohol, abuse
E Epilepsy, electrolytes, encephalopathy
I Insulin
O Opiates, overdose
U Uremia
T Trauma, temperature
I Infection, intussusception, inborn errors
P Psychogenic
P Poison
S Shock, seizures, stroke, space-occupying lesion, subarachnoid hemorrhage, shunt