PEDIATRIC PAIN MANAGEMENT – ALS

PRMC

Determine cause of patient's pain and refer to appropriate protocol

Determine Patient's Pain Score using either the Verbal Descriptor Scale or Wong-Baker FACES® Scale

Consider use of non-pharmacologic pain management techniques
   Attempt to place patient in a position of comfort
   Consider application of ice packs or splints as appropriate

If non-pharmacologic pain management techniques fail and the patient is in severe pain and > 1 year old, consider single dose of analgesia

   1. Fentanyl 1 mcg/kg IV/IO/IM/IN
      max dose 100 mcg
   OR
   2. Morphine Sulfate 0.1 mg/kg IV/IO/IM
      max dose 10 mg

Complete vital signs and pain scale should be assessed and documented before and after every intervention

Transport and contact Medical Control as appropriate

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1 – Contraindications include known or documented allergy to fentanyl, morphine or other opioid analgesic, pregnancy with active labor, dental pain, chronic pain patients who are not part of hospice or palliative care, hypoventilation or respiratory depression.

2 – Use with caution in patients with GCS < 15, hypotension, or hypoxia