Suspected Opioid Overdose

History
- Hx of recent opioid drug use
- Hx of chronic opioid drug use
- Narcotic prescriptions in the household
- Evidence of illicit drug use (needles, paraphernalia)
- Hx of chronic medical conditions requiring opioid medication

Signs and Symptoms
- Altered mental status
- Depressed respiratory drive
- Pin point pupils
- Track marks
- Unconsciousness

Differential
- Diabetic emergency
- Stroke
- Neurologic disorder
- Non-opioid overdose
- Traumatic injury

Altered mental status and respiratory rate < 8

- Maintain airway patency and adequate ventilations

**E**
- Naloxone 2-4 mg IN or Auto Injector
  - Naloxone is titrated to effect of adequate ventilation and oxygenation
  - NOT ADMINISTERED TO RESTORE CONSCIOUSNESS

- Consider vascular access

**P**
- Naloxone 2-4mg IN or Naloxone 1-2mg IV/IM
  - Naloxone is titrated to effect of adequate ventilation and oxygenation
  - NOT ADMINISTERED TO RESTORE CONSCIOUSNESS

- Monitor and reassess
- 12-Lead ECG
- Cardiac monitor

Patient condition improve?

**P**
- Continue supportive care
- Consider advanced airway

**E**
- Notify receiving facility. Contact Base Hospital for medical direction, as needed.

Leave Behind Narcan
For family or friends of patients with suspected opioid overdose