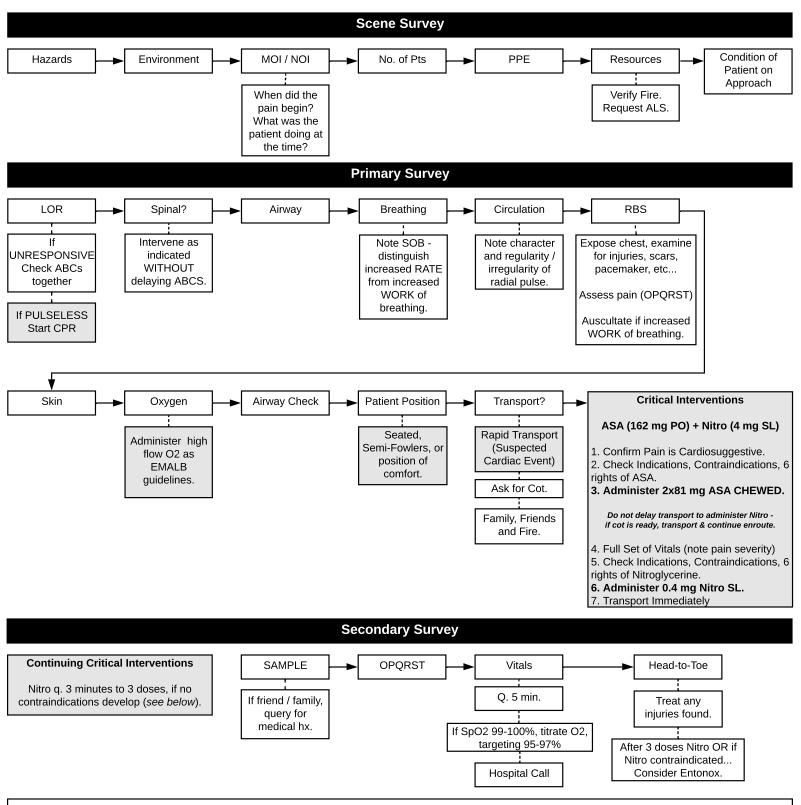
## **Cardiac Chest Pain**



## NOTES

\* **ASA Contraindications:** Inability to swallow; allergy to ASA; active peptic ulcer or GI bleeding; pediatric patient; patient has taken ASA > 161 mg prior to arrival. \* Patient outcome is better if definitive hospital treatment is provided as soon as possible, hence early transport is highly desirable. When equipment is ready load and transport, do not delay until after the first Nitroglycerin if ready to go; load and go and treat en route.

\* Nitro Contraindications: Patient as taken Viagra or Levitra in last 24 hours, or Cialis in last 48 hours; BP < 90 mmHg.

\* If Pt. IS Prescribed Nitro: Ensure that BP > 90 mmHg and check whether pain still persists before administrating repeat Nitroglycerin. Contact ER if needing to go beyond 3 doses or if patient condition changes.

\* If Pt. IS NOT Prescribed Nitro: If systolic BP >100, with HR >50 and <150, Nitro may be administered after call to ER. Request permission for repeat doses.

\* If pain is completely relieved for more than 5 minutes, you may re-initiate the **Nitroglycerin** component (but not the ASA) if the patient's pain returns.

\* If the patient's pain persists after 3 doses of Nitro, or Nitro is contraindicated, consider Entonox. After 30 minutes, you may cease Entonox, wait five minutes, and reinitiate Nitro administration.