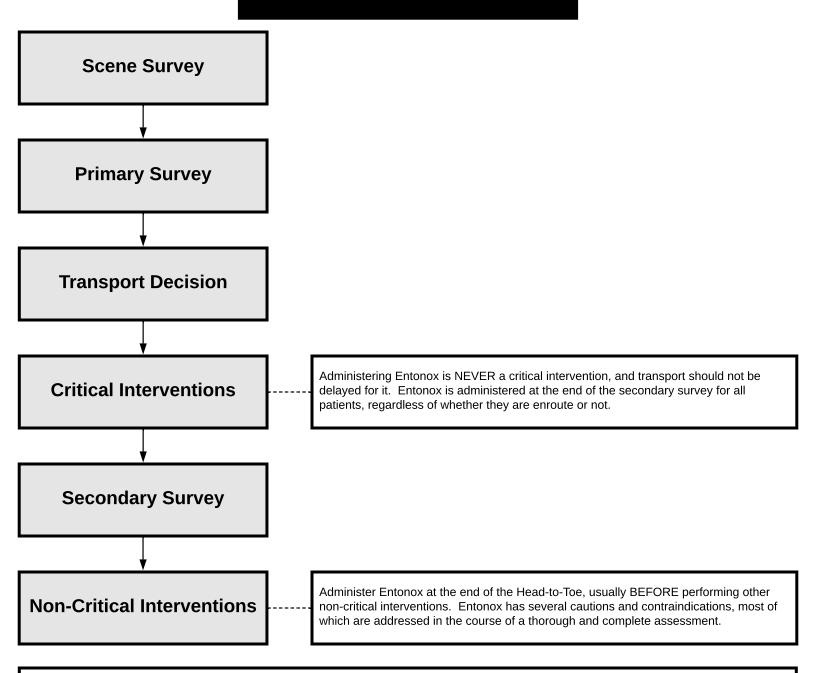
Pain Management Protocol



Entonox Administration Notes

* After verifying 6 rights of medication, explain medication and potential side effects, administer to patient until pain is relieved or side effects develop.

* Always allow patient to self-administer with a bite stick; if patient becomes sedated and unable to self-administer, do not attempt to administer.

* Consider using with nasal cannula.

* If patient becomes cyanotic or short of breath, discontinue Entonox and apply high flow O2.

Indications

* Any Pain, Regarless of Severity

Contraindications

- * Pneumothorax (ruled out on auscultation)
- * Air Embolism (Query IV drug use and recent surgeries.)
- * Inability to Comply (Pt is alert and oriented GCS 15.)
- * Nitro in Last 5 Minutes
- * Decompresson Sickness (Query Diving or Flying without complications.)
- * Inhalation Injury
- * Enclosed Space (If in ambulance, ensure exhaust is on.)

Cautions

- * Shock
- Abdominal Distension (Query cause.)
- * Depressant Drugs (Able to comply? Observe carefully.)
- * Maxillo-Facial Injuries (Are they able to use the bite stick
- without aggravating their injuries?)
 - COPD (Observe carefully for cyanosis / SOB,)