



# Post-Cardiac Arrest Syndrome Management

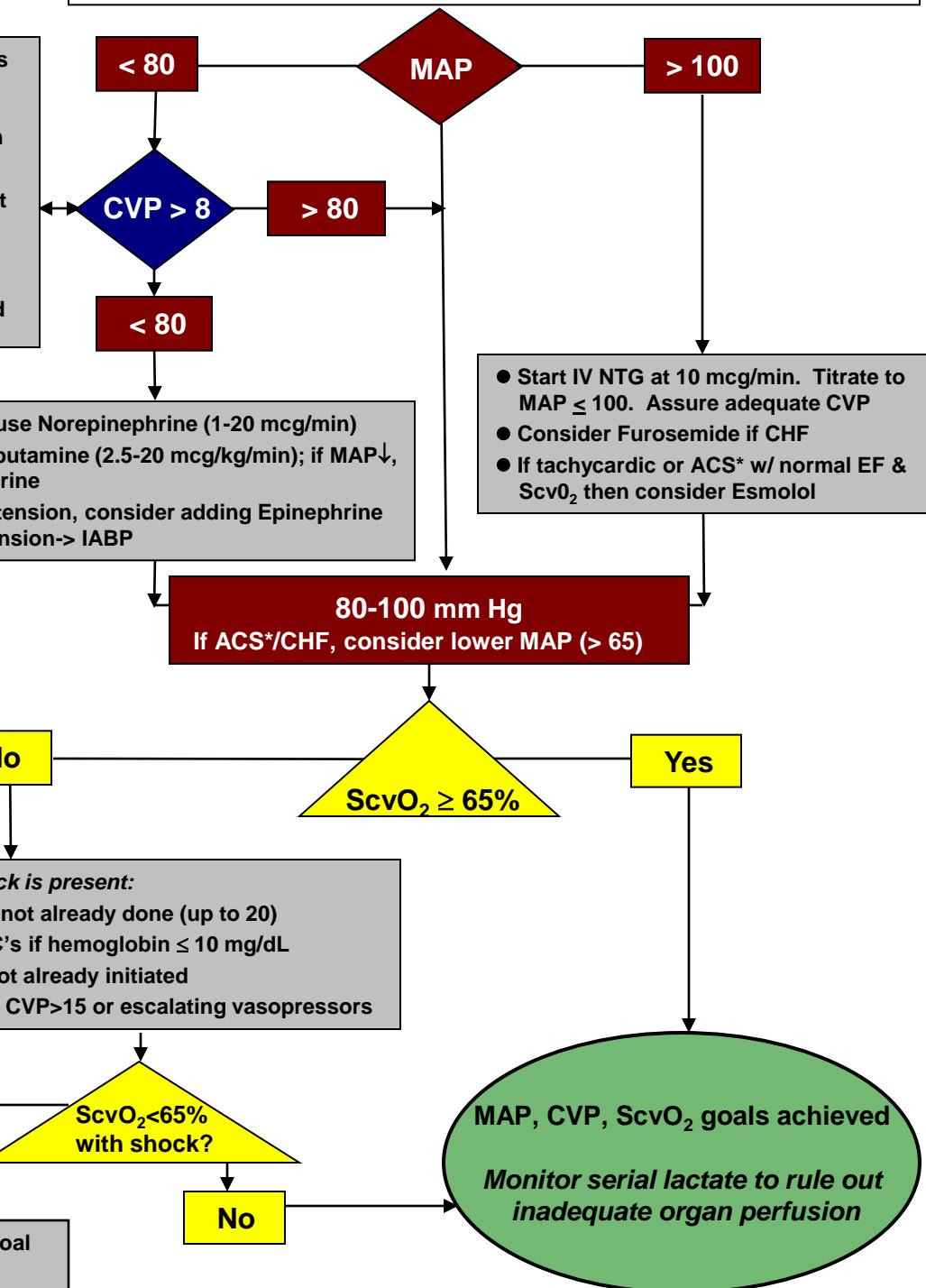
## Who needs this?

- Resuscitated patients with:
- GCS Motor score < 6
  - No other reason for coma
  - No DNR B/C or DNI status

## Getting Started:

- Stat EKG. If STEMI, activate cardiac catheterization lab; consult cardiology for ECHO if suspected ischemia, significant arrhythmias, hemodynamic instability
- Stat head CT if deemed medically necessary (may start cooling prior to CT)
- Begin sedation, paralytics; initiate Targeted Temperature Management (TTM)
- Page EEG fellow for continuous EEG placement
- Insert triple lumen CVC in subclavian or IJ vein; place radial or femoral a-line
- Notify Bed Management (215-847-2116) for ICU bed
- If pregnant, consult Ob/Gyn

- 2L 4°C NSS on pressure bags by peripheral IV when initiating TTM
- Repeat 500 ml IVF over 5 min q 20 min until CVP > 8
- If no CHF, continue IVF to get MAP > 80, CVP > 8, but < 20
- PA catheter if CVP > 15 or > 5 liters IVF or CHF or significant vasopressor need



\* ACS=Acute coronary syndrome

## **DECISION TO COOL SHOULD BE MADE QUICKLY!**

### **TTM Equipment Checklist**

- 1. Arterial line kits (both radial and femoral)**
- 2. Triple lumen central venous catheter or Presep® central venous catheter & Vigilance monitor**
- 3. Two one liter bags of 4°C 0.9% saline (stored in ED and ICU refrigerators)**
- 4. Gaymar III 7900 external cooling device with torso and leg wraps; fill before applying to patient**
  - A. Blue-faced Gaymar – ‘Automatic’, ‘Rapid’ – patient set point 33° C**
  - B. Gray-faced Gaymar – ‘Automatic’, ‘Rapid’ – patient set point 34° C; when patient reaches 34°, ‘Gradual’ – patient set point 33°**
- 5. Temperature-probe urinary bladder catheter or esophageal temperature-probe (1/8 inch to 1/4 inch adapter needed for Gaymar device)**
- 6. Neuromuscular blockade monitoring equipment (peripheral nerve stimulator for Train-of-Four)**
- 7. Sedation monitoring (BIS monitor and sensor)**
- 8. Rapid access to warmed IV fluid**

C°	F°
38.0	100.4
37.5	99.5
37.0	98.6
36.5	97.7
36.0	96.8
35.5	95.9
35.0	95.0
34.5	94.1
34.0	93.2
33.5	92.3
33.0	91.4
32.5	90.5
32.0	89.6
31.5	88.7
31.0	87.8
30.5	86.9
30.0	86.0