



PAIN MANAGEMENT

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BLS

- Assess level of pain
- Ice, immobilize, and splint PRN
- Elevate extremity trauma PRN

ALS

- Continue to monitor and reassess pain as appropriate
- Document vital signs before and after each medication administration

Pain medication considerations

1. When changing route of administration, consider the potential time difference in onset of action
2. Document **adequate perfusion** prior to opioid administration

For mild pain (score 1-3)¹ or moderate pain (score 4-6)

- Acetaminophen* IV per drug chart in 100 ml of NS over 15 min

For moderate pain (score 4-6) or severe pain (score 7-10)

Fentanyl (IV dosing)

- <10 kg, fentanyl IV per drug chart
- MR at half initial IV dose BHO

- ≥10 kg, fentanyl IV per drug chart
- MR at half initial IV dose

Fentanyl (IN dosing)

- <10 kg, fentanyl IN per drug chart
- MR at initial IN dose BHO

- ≥10 kg, fentanyl IN per drug chart
- MR at initial IN dose

If fentanyl unavailable, morphine IV/IM per drug chart

*IV acetaminophen contraindicated if patient <2 years of age

¹ If patient refuses or has contraindications to acetaminophen, may treat as moderate pain