# PEDIATRIC BASIC LIFE SUPPORT

### PEDIATRIC CHAIN OF SURVIVAL



- Prevention,
- Early cardiopulmonary resuscitation(CPR),
- Prompt access to the emergency response system
- •Rapid pediatric advanced life support (PALS)
- Integrated post
   – cardiac arrest care

- Infant BLS guidelines apply to infants till 1 year of age.
- Child BLS guidelines apply to children approximately 1 year of age until puberty.

For teaching purposes, puberty is defined as breast development in females and the presence of axillary hair in males

- Overall,8% children who receive pre-hospital emergency response resuscitation survive
- Results of in-hospital resuscitation are better with an overall survival of 27%.
- Rapid and effective bystander CPR can be associated with successful return of spontaneous circulation (ROSC) and neurologically intact survival

# Prevention of Cardiopulmonary Arrest

Injury

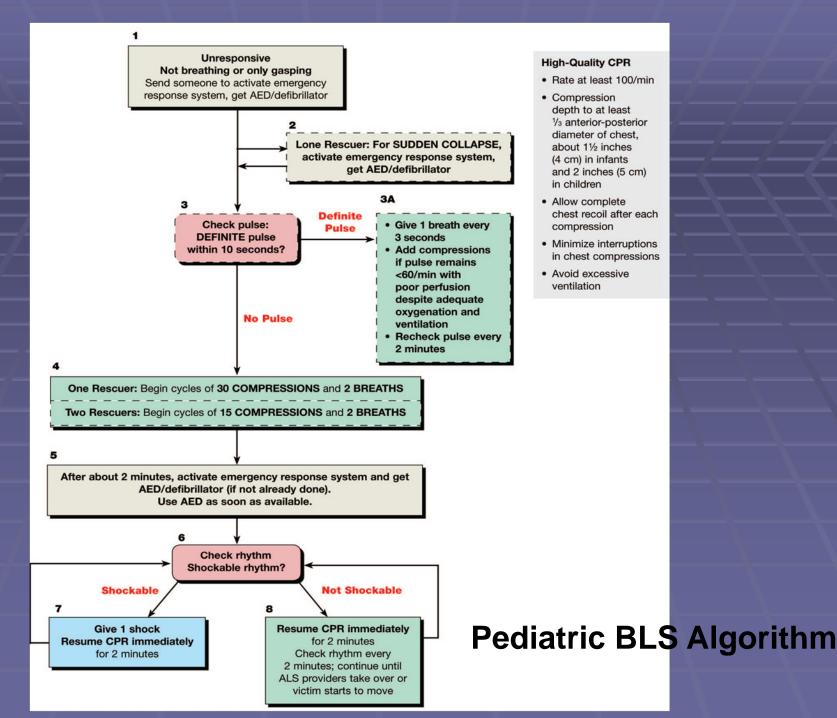
Motor vehicle crashes

### A-B-C or C-A-B?

 Asphyxial cardiac arrest is more common than VF cardiac arrest in infants and children

 Ventilations are extremely important in pediatric resuscitation.

- The CAB sequence is recommended to simplify training so that more victims of sudden cardiac arrest will receive bystander CPR.
- Consistency in teaching rescuers, whether their patients are infants, children, or adults.



#### **BLS Sequence for Healthcare Providers**

### Assess the Need for CPR(BOX 1)

- 1. unresponsive
- 2. not breathing
- 3. gasping

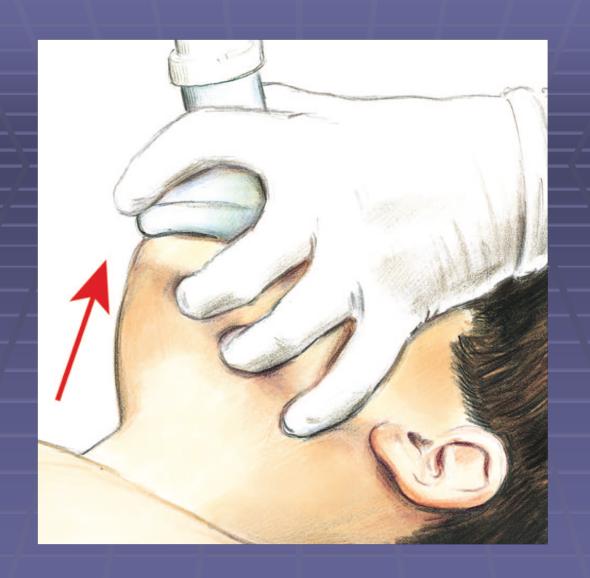
send someone to activate the emergency response system.



**RECOVERY POSITION** 

### Pulse Check (BOX 2)

- brachial in an infant and carotid or femoral in a child
- 1. Inadequate Breathing With Pulse:
- palpable pulse >60 per minute but inadequate breathing:
  - -- rescue breaths @ 12 to 20 breaths per minute (1 breath every 3 to 5 seconds) until spontaneous breathing resumes.
  - -- Reassess the pulse every 2 minutes.



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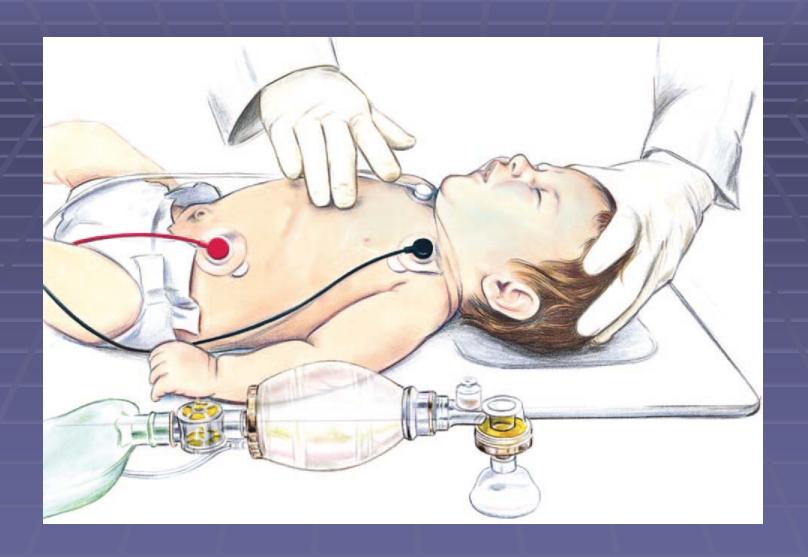
- 2. Bradycardia With Poor Perfusion
- pulse is <60 per minute and there are signs of poor perfusion
- (ie, pallor, mottling, cyanosis) despite support of oxygenation and ventilation,
- -- begin chest compressions

### **Chest Compressions(BOX 4)**

- The lone healthcare provider-- 2-finger chest compression technique for infants.
- The 2-thumb—encircling hands technique is recommended when CPR is provided by 2 rescuers.
- Encircle the infant's chest with both hands; spread your fingers around the thorax, and place your thumbs together over the lower third of the sternum
- Forcefully compress the sternum with your thumbs

In an older child,

compress the lower half of the sternum at least one third of the AP dimension of the chest or approximately 5 cm (2 inches) with the heel of 1 or 2 hands.



Two-finger chest compression technique in infant(1 rescuer)



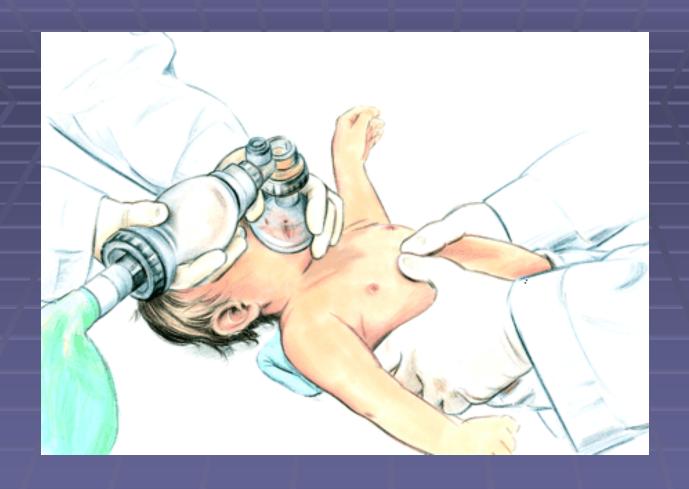
### Characteristics of high-quality CPR:

- Chest compressions of appropriate rate and depth.
- Push fast: push at a rate of at least 100 compressions per minute.
- Push hard: push with sufficient force to depress at least one third the anterior-posterior (AP) diameter of the chest or approximately 1.5 inches (4 cm) in infants and 2 inches (5 cm) in children
- Allow complete chest recoil after each compression to allow the heart to refill with blood.

- Incomplete recoil during CPR is associated with higher intrathoracic pressures and significantly decreased venous return, coronary perfusion, blood flow, and cerebral perfusion
- Rescuers should rotate the compressor role approximately every 2 minutes

### Ventilations(BOX 4)

- After 30 compressions (15 compressions if 2 rescuers) open the airway with a head tilt— chin lift and give 2 breaths
- If evidence of trauma suggesting spinal injury, use a jaw thrust without head tilt to open the airway



CHEST COMPRESSION WITH BAG AND MASK VENTILATION

## Coordinate Chest Compressions and Ventilations

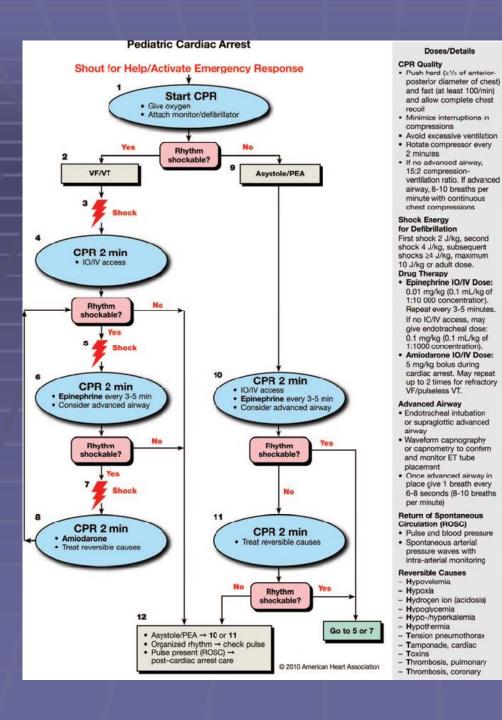
- lone rescuer--compression-to-ventilation ratio of 30:2.
- For 2-rescuer infant and child CPR----one provider should perform chest compressions while the other keeps the airway open and performs ventilations at a ratio of 15:2.
- Deliver ventilations with minimal interruptions in chest compressions

- If an advanced airway is in place, the compressing rescuer should deliver at least 100 compressions per minute continuously without pauses for ventilation.
- The ventilation rescuer delivers 8 to 10 breaths per minute (a breath every 6 to 8 seconds).

### Defibrillation(BOX 6)

- Children with sudden witnessed collapse
- --likely to have VF or pulseless VT and
- --need immediate CPR and rapid defibrillation.
- --VF and pulseless VT are referred to as "shockable rhythms" because they respond to electric shocks (defibrillation).

- children with VF:an initial dose of 2 J/kg
- refractory VF:increase the dose to 4 J/kg
- Subsequent energy levels should be at least 4 J/kg
- AEDs can differentiate "shockable" from "nonshockable" rhythms

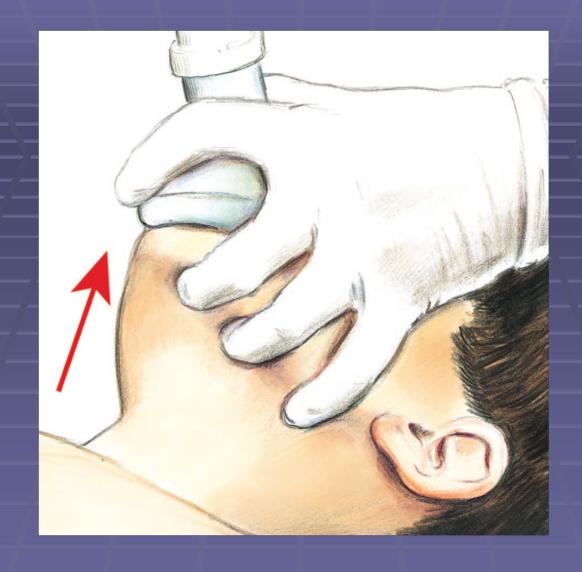


# Hands-Only (Compression-Only) CPR

Optimal CPR in infants and children includes both compressions and ventilations, but compressions alone are preferable to no CPR

#### Bag-Mask Ventilation

- selecting the correct mask size,
- opening the airway,
- making a tight seal between the mask and face,
- delivering effective ventilation,
- assessing the effectiveness of ventilation.



The EC clamp technique of bag-mask ventilations. Three fingers of one hand lift the jaw (they form the "E") while the thumb and index finger hold the mask to the face (making a "C").  Self-inflating bag with a volume of 450 to 500 mL for infants and young children, and 1000 mL in older children or adolescents

 Supplementary oxygen is attached with an oxygen inflow of 10 L/min, the concentration of delivered oxygen varies from 30% to 80%

- To deliver a high oxygen concentration (60% to 95%), attach an oxygen reservoir to the self-inflating bag.
- Maintain an oxygen flow of 10 to 15 L/min.
- Tight seal between the mask and the victim's face.

 Open the airway by lifting the jaw toward the mask making a tight seal and squeeze the bag until the chest rises

 Bag and mask ventilation is not recommended for a lone rescuer (mouth to barrier device ventilation)

Avoid excessive ventilation

 Give each breath slowly, over approximately 1 second.

If the chest does not rise, reopen the airway, verify tight seal between the mask and the face (or between the bag and the advanced airway), and reattempt ventilation

#### Two-Person Bag-Mask Ventilation

- significant airway obstruction,
- poor lung compliance
- difficulty in creating a tight seal between the mask and the face.

# Gastric Inflation and Cricoid Pressure

#### To minimize gastric inflation

- Deliver each breath over approximately 1 second.
- Cricoid pressure may be considered in an unresponsive victim if there is an additional healthcare provider

# Foreign-Body Airway Obstruction (Choking)

- children <5 years of age</p>
- Liquids- most common cause in infants
- balloons, small objects, and foods( round candies, nuts, and grapes)- most common causes in children
- Signs of FBAO a sudden onset of respiratory distress with coughing, gagging, stridor, or wheezing in the absence of fever or other respiratory symptoms.

# Relief of FBAO (foreign body airway obstruction)

- If FBAO is mild, do not interfere.
- If the FBAO is severe (ie, the victim is unable to make a sound) you must act to relieve the obstruction.
- For a child perform sub-diaphragmatic abdominal thrusts (Heimlich maneuver) until the object is expelled or the victim becomes unresponsive.
- For an infant, deliver repeated cycles of 5 back blows (slaps) followed by 5 chest compressions until the object is expelled or the victim becomes unresponsive.

- If the victim becomes unresponsive, start CPR with chest compressions (do not perform a pulse check).
- After 30 chest compressions, open the airway.
- If you see a foreign body, remove it but no blind finger sweeps
- Attempt to give 2 breaths and continue with cycles of chest compressions and ventilations until the object is expelled.
- After 2 minutes, if no one has already done so, activate the emergency response system.

#### Trauma

- Anticipate airway obstruction
- Stop all external bleeding with direct pressure.
- When the mechanism of injury is compatible with spinal injury, minimize motion of the cervical spine and movement of the head and neck

- open and maintain the airway with a jaw thrust and try not to tilt the head
- To limit spine motion, secure at least the thighs, pelvis, and shoulders to the immobilization board.

#### **Neonatal Resuscitation**

- Etiology: asphyxia
- A-B-C sequence has been retained unless known cardiac etiology
- Best indicators for need of resuscitation: heart rate, respirations, and tone.
- Pulse oximetry: need for supplementary oxygen.

- For term babies, begin resuscitation with room air.
- supplementary oxygen:regulated by oximetry
- No evidence to support airway suctioning in active babies, even in the presence of meconium

- The recommended compressionventilation ratio remains 3:1
- If the arrest is known to be of cardiac etiology,a higher ratio (15:2) can be considered.
- Epinephrine: dose of 0.01 to 0.03 mg/kg IV
- Endotracheal route: 0.05 mg/kg to 0.1 mg/kg.

- Newborns who require CPR in other settings
   (eg, prehospital, ED, pediatric intensive care unit
   [PICU], etc.), should receive CPR according to
   infant guidelines
- 2 rescuers provide continuous chest compressions with asynchronous ventilations if an advanced airway is in place
- 15:2 ventilation-to-compression ratio if no advanced airway is in place

### Postresuscitation Care (Post-Cardiac Arrest Care)

- Therapeutic hypothermia is recommended for evolving moderate to severe hypoxicischemic encephalopathy.
- duration of resuscitation for newborns with prolonged cardiac arrest: In a newly born baby with no detectable heart rate that remains undetectable for 10 minutes, it is appropriate to consider stopping resuscitation

# Thank You!