



**CHILDBIRTH**

**BLS Procedures**

- Assess Airway.
- Assess Vitals.
- Obtain SPO2.
- Oxygen, Titrate SPO2 to 94% or higher.

**Routine Delivery**

- Transport mother on left side.
- Deliver Newborn if necessary.
  - As head is delivered, clear airway, suction mouth first then nose. Use hand on baby's head to control delivery.
  - If cord is wrapped around neck, attempt to unwrap and slip over the baby's head. If unable, double clamp and cut between clamps.
  - Complete delivery of newborn's body. Dry and stimulate the newborn. Wrap in blanket and keep warm.
  - Place newborn on mother's abdomen or breast. Double clamp and cut cord between clamps 6-8 inches from newborn.
- Refer to Newborn Resuscitation Policy if resuscitation is necessary.
- Deliver Placenta
  - After delivery of Placenta, massage fundus.
- Document APGAR Score

**Breech Presentation**

- Deliver Newborn if necessary.
  - For buttocks presentation, allow newborn to deliver to waist. Support the limbs and torso.
  - Use hand to control delivery. When legs and buttocks are delivered, the head can be assisted out.
  - If head does not deliver rapidly, insert gloved hand into vagina, palm towards baby's face and cord between fingers to create an airway for newborn.
  - Document APGAR Score

**Prolapsed Cord**

- Position**
  - Place the mother prone, in knee-chest position, face down.
- Protect Cord**
  - Insert gloved hand into vagina and gently push the presenting part of the newborn off the cord.
  - Cover exposed portion of cord with saline-soaked gauze.
  - Do not attempt to push cord back into vagina.

**ALS Standing Orders**

- Follow BLS Procedures if necessary.
- IV/IO Access.
- Obtain ECG.
- For immediate (< 3 hrs.) extreme post-partum hemorrhage with associated hypotension.
- TXA 1 gram IV/IO, slow IVP over 1 minute or IV infusion in 100 ml over 5 minutes
  - No repeat

**Special Considerations**

Indicator		0 Points	1 Point	2 Points
A	Activity	Absent	Flexed Limbs	Active
P	Pulse	Absent	Less than 100 BPM	Greater than 100 BPM
G	Grimace	Floppy	Minimal response to stimulation	Prompt response to stimulation
A	Appearance	Blue/Pale	Pink body, but blue extremities	Pink
R	Respiration	Absent	Slow and Irregular	Vigorous cry

**Base Hospital Orders Only**