



Level Two NSTEMI Protocol

Upon Patient Arrival

- CP or equivalent on arrival to ED
- 12 lead EKG handed to MD within 10 min
- ST Depression > 0.5 mm in 2 or more contiguous leads
- or** Anterior T wave inversion > 2 mm
- or** positive biomarkers **or** sustained VT
- or** clinically unstable **or** ischemia on recent stress test

Upon NSTEMI Recognition

- Contact Minneapolis Heart Institute® at **612-863-3911** to page cardiologist for a Level Two NSTEMI
- Activate emergency transport team (air if unstable, if not contraindicated)
- NPO, monitor, 2 IVs with NS at TKO, draw labs
- Aspirin: 324 mg PO (81 mg chewable tabs X 4) **OR** 300 mg PR
- Heparin: 50 U/kg (max 4,000 U) IVP, loading dose then 12 U/kg/hr (max 1,000 U/hr) continuous infusion
- Beta-blocker: for SBP > 150 mmHg per local protocol – **DO NOT** give if any of the following
 - Signs of heart failure or shock (SBP < 110)
 - Heart rate <60 or >110 and hypotension
 - Severe asthma or reactive airway disease
- Nitroglycerin: 0.4 mg SL, prn
- Morphine Sulfate: 2-4 mg IVP, prn
- Oxygen: to maintain SpO₂ ≥ 92%
- Consider CXR if condition warrants (send film with patient)

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