



Yolo County Emergency Medical Services Agency

Protocols

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CHILDBIRTH		
Adult		
BLS		
Assess vital signs O ₂ , titrate SpO ₂ to ≥ 94% Estimate blood loss		
Presenting Part		
Prolapsed Cord	Head	Breech or Footing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protect cord Place mother in knee-chest position Insert gloved hand into vagina & gently push presenting part off the cord Cover the cord with wet saline dressing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allow delivery (note time) Provide warmth Assure open airway Evaluate for meconium and clear airway with bulb syringe Dry baby 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protect cord Allow delivery to progress passively until baby's waist appears Rotate baby to face down position (do not pull) If head does not deliver in 3 minutes, insert gloved hand into vagina to create an air passage for infant As mother bears down, sweep the head out of the vagina
After the Delivery		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dry and stimulate Provide warmth Insulate head Place newborn skin to skin with mother if possible APGAR at 1 minute Clamp and cut cord <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delay clamping of the umbilical cord for 2 minutes for uncomplicated births not requiring resuscitation Double clamp cord, cut 6 inches from the baby between clamps APGAR at 5 minutes After delivery of placenta, gently massage fundus 		
ALS		
Cardiac Monitor, Waveform EtCO ₂ , Vascular Access		
Direction		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transport to closest Receiving Hospital with obstetric services; do not wait for placenta delivery Transport mother and baby together whenever possible For complicated deliveries contact Base Hospital Physician early Contact Base Hospital for additional treatment 		