

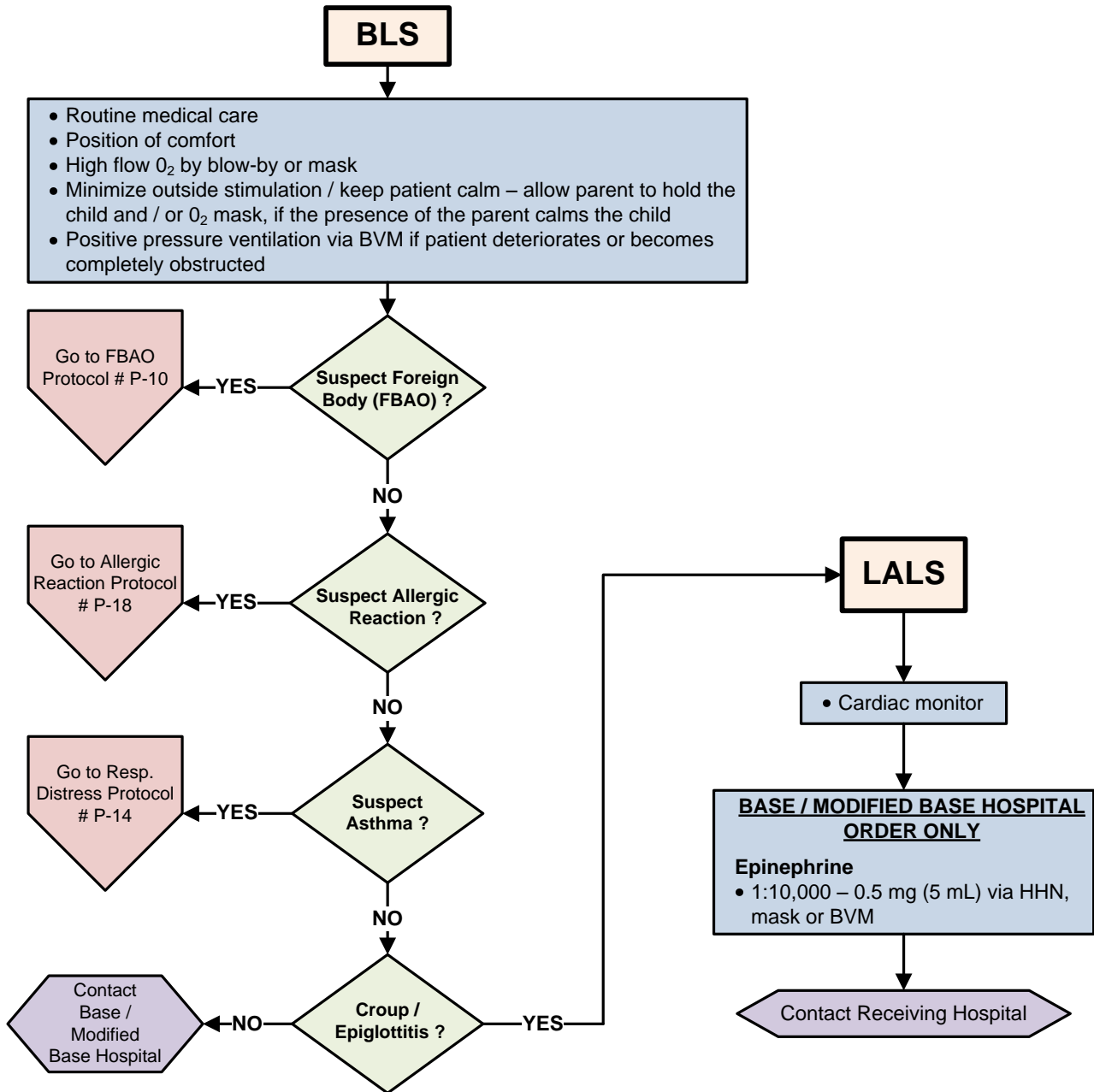


**SIERRA SACRAMENTO VALLEY EMS AGENCY
TREATMENT PROTOCOL – MEDICAL EMERGENCY**

**PEDIATRIC
REFERENCE NO. P-16 (LALS)**

SUBJECT: RESPIRATORY DISTRESS – STRIDOR (UPPER AIRWAY: CROUP / EPIGLOTTITIS)

- The hallmark of upper airway obstruction is inspiratory stridor
- Obtain History – Foreign body aspiration, fever, drooling, sore throat, sputum production, onset, duration, medications, asthma, exposures (allergens, toxins, smoke) or trauma (blunt / penetrating)
- Do not attempt to visualize the throat or insert anything into the mouth if epiglottitis suspected.



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