

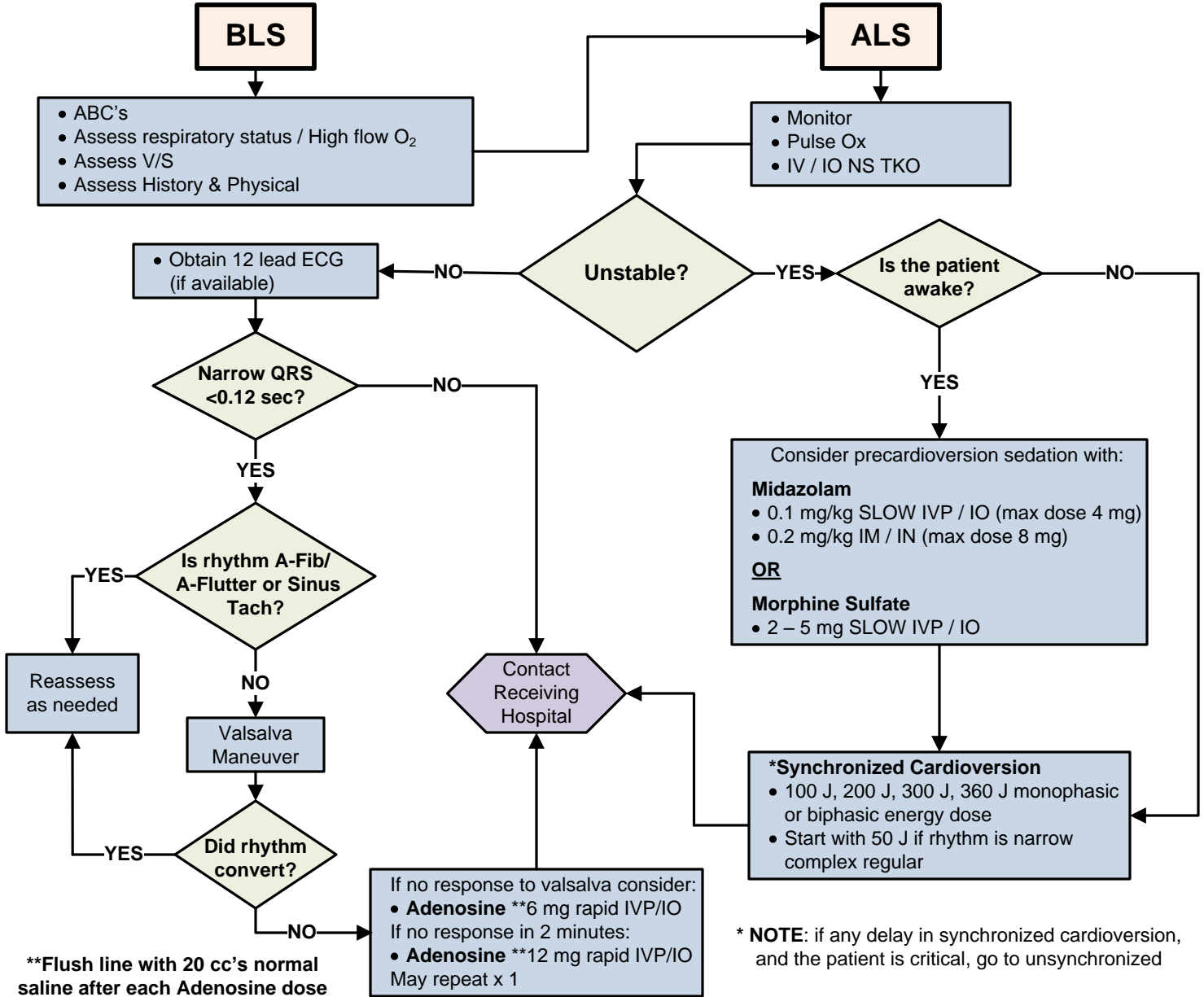


**SIERRA SACRAMENTO VALLEY EMS AGENCY
TREATMENT PROTOCOL – MEDICAL EMERGENCY**

**CARDIOVASCULAR
REFERENCE NO. C-6**

SUBJECT: TACHYCARDIA WITH PULSES

- Serious signs or symptoms of poor perfusion caused by the tachycardia include:
 - BP < 90
 - Chest Pain
 - Decreased LOC
 - Pulmonary Congestion
 - Shock
 - Acute MI
 - CHF
 - Shortness of Breath
- Synchronized Cardioversion:
 - Stop if rhythm converts to sinus rhythm
 - Immediate cardioversion is seldom needed for heart rate < 150 beats/min
 - Precardioversion sedation should be used for an awake patient whenever possible, use with caution in the hypotensive patient



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