



MIAMI TOWNSHIP FIRE & EMS CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO *MEDICAL PROTOCOLS*



NON TRANSPORT OF INSULIN DEPENDENT DIABETICS

Historical Findings

1. Decreased level of consciousness without suspected trauma.
2. Prior medical history of insulin dependent diabetes mellitus.
3. Following treatment, patient is conscious, alert to time, date and place, and requests that they not be transported to a hospital.
4. No other associated findings of serious illnesses or circumstances that may have contributed to the hypoglycemic episode, including excessive alcohol consumption, shortness of breathe, chest pain, headaches, etc.
5. The patient's history reveals circumstances that may have contributed to the hypoglycemic episode, such as lack of oral intake or an insulin reaction.
6. Patient is not on oral hypoglycemic medication such as glypizide, glyburide or chlorpropamide.

Physical Findings

1. Patient is initially found to have a decreased level of consciousness.
2. Systolic blood pressure ≥ 90 mmHg or child with normal perfusion.
3. Patient has rapid glucose test of ≤ 60 mg/dL.
4. During treatment under the hypoglycemia protocol the patient responds to oral, IV glucose (dextrose 50%), or glucagon (Glucagen) IM/IN to a normal level of consciousness.

Protocol

1. The patient is assessed and treated per the hypoglycemia protocol.
2. Repeat rapid glucose test should be >80 mg/dL. However if the patient is awake, alert, oriented, and able to consume carbohydrates orally, the glucose test does not have to be absolutely > 80 mg/dL.
3. The patient is given written instructions for follow up care prior to being released.



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4. The patient is released to the care of a responsible adult who will remain with the patient as an observer for a reasonable time and can call 911 should symptoms recur.