

Paramedic Treatment Protocol

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CSHCN – APNEA MONITORS

A. Perform Initial Treatment / Universal Patient Care Protocol

- 1. Suction through the nose, mouth, or tracheostomy tube, as needed.
- B. Provide immediate resuscitation, as needed, and immediately make transport decision.
- C. Leave Apnea monitor on.
- D. Apnea monitors should be transported with the child to the hospital. Most monitors contain a computer chip that records information that can be downloaded into a computer at the home hospital to determine the origin of the monitor alarms (high or low heart rate, apnea, or artifact).
- E. Bring all of the child's medical charts or medical forms that the caregiver may have, the child's "**go bag**" or other similar bag, and any supplies that the caregiver may have.
- F. Transport to the nearest appropriate facility as soon as possible.
- G. Perform additional assessment and treatments as required following **Initial Treatment / Universal Patient Care Protocol.**