

# **SPARTANBURG EMS**

**PARAMEDIC TREATMENT PROTOCOLS ©**



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## DISCLAIMER STATEMENT

The following protocols for Spartanburg Emergency Medical Service are written as a guide for Spartanburg Emergency Medical Service personnel, Spartanburg County Rescue Squads and Spartanburg County First Response agencies to facilitate the rapid administration of acceptable treatment measures. The goal is to stabilize the ill or injured and insure their safe treatment and/or delivery to the most appropriate medical facility.

**NEVER HESITATE TO CONTACT ON LINE MEDICAL CONTROL FOR ANY CONCERN**

The EMS Medical Director or Medical Sector Incident Commander may deviate from established practice in extraordinary circumstances and improvise in those instances where no specific guidelines exist. While these guidelines are written in outline form, this in no way implies that "A" must be accomplished before "B" in every situation or that all steps must be taken in every instance. Always apply paramedic judgment and good common sense.

**IN THE ABSENCE OF COMMUNICATION OR SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS, OPTIMUM PATIENT CARE, COMMON SENSE AND GOOD JUDGMENT MUST BE THE OVER-RIDING PRINCIPLE.**

### *The Golden Rule of Prehospital Medicine*

**“A patient doesn’t care how much you know until they know how much you care.”**



# **Spartanburg EMS Protocols**

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The following treatment protocols have been developed under and approved by the Medical Director of Spartanburg EMS in accordance with South Carolina DHEC Regulations and National Standards of Care.

These protocols are to be utilized as a guide for SEMS employees in patient care, however, should not supersede good common sense and sound Paramedic judgment. The effective date for the following protocols is January 1, 2008.

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