

Adult Medical Allergic Reaction/ Anaphylaxis

Designation of Condition: Allergic reactions and anaphylaxis can be true life-threatening emergencies. It is considered highly likely when the patient presents with acute onset of symptoms (minutes to a few hours), often after exposure to a likely antigen. When anaphylaxis is suspected, EMS personnel should always consider epinephrine as first-line treatment. Cardiovascular collapse may occur abruptly, without the prior development of skin or respiratory symptoms. Constant monitoring of the patient's airway and breathing is essential.

