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Airway: LMA

- Not a first choice in resuscitation
- Acceptable for experienced providers in children



Airway: tracheal tube

- Tape measurement is more accurate than formulae
- Prehospital uncuffed TT (up to 5.5)
- In- hospital: cuffed TT acceptable
Leak, ARDS, non-compliant lungs
- Monitoring of cuff pressure (20 cm H₂O)



Breathing: ventilation during and after CPR

- Hyperventilation :
 - ↗ intrathoracic pressure
 - ↘ cerebral & coronary perfusion
- Ideal tidal volume = modest chest wall rise

Avoid hyperventilation
Maintain normal PaCO₂ : 35-45 mm Hg



Breathing : respiratory frequency

- During CPR when airway is secured : 10/min
- If CO : 12-20/min according to age



Breathing : monitoring of EtCO₂

- ✓ In pre- & in-hospital setting
- ✓ In any intubated child > 2 kg
- ✓ In any transportation
- ✓ Low or absent EtCO₂
 - Oesophageal intubation
 - Absence or low pulmonary BF (shock states or CA)



Circulation : vascular access

- ✓ IV & IO always better than ET
- ✓ Give adrenaline only once by ET access



Circulation : adrenaline

✓ Infant and child

- IV-IO : 10 mcg/kg for every doses
- ET : 100 mcg/kg

✓ Newborn

- IV-IO : 10 - 30 mcg/kg
- ET : try to avoid – if required 100 mcg/kg



Circulation : medications

- ✓ No glucose containing solutions during CPR
- ✓ Avoid hyper-, hypoglycaemia after ROSC
- ✓ Lidocaine \neq first line treatment for VF/pulseless VT
- ✓ Vasopressin : insufficient data
 - Rescue therapy ? International protocol?



Circulation : defibrillation

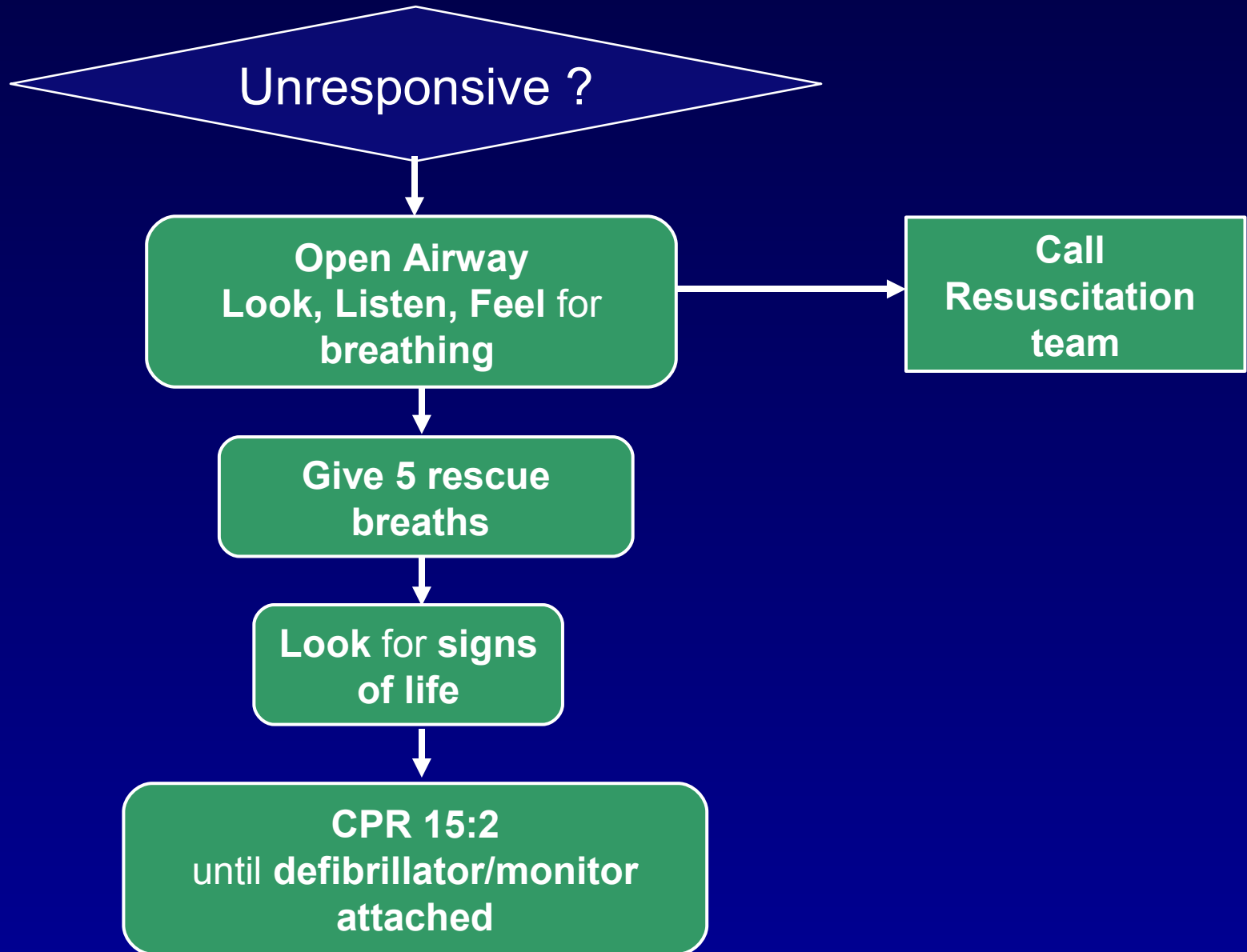
- ✓ Optimal paddle force
 - 3 kg for child < 10 kg
 - 5 kg for child > 10 kg
- ✓ Biphasic waves (versus monophasic)
 - As effective
 - Less myocardial dysfunction

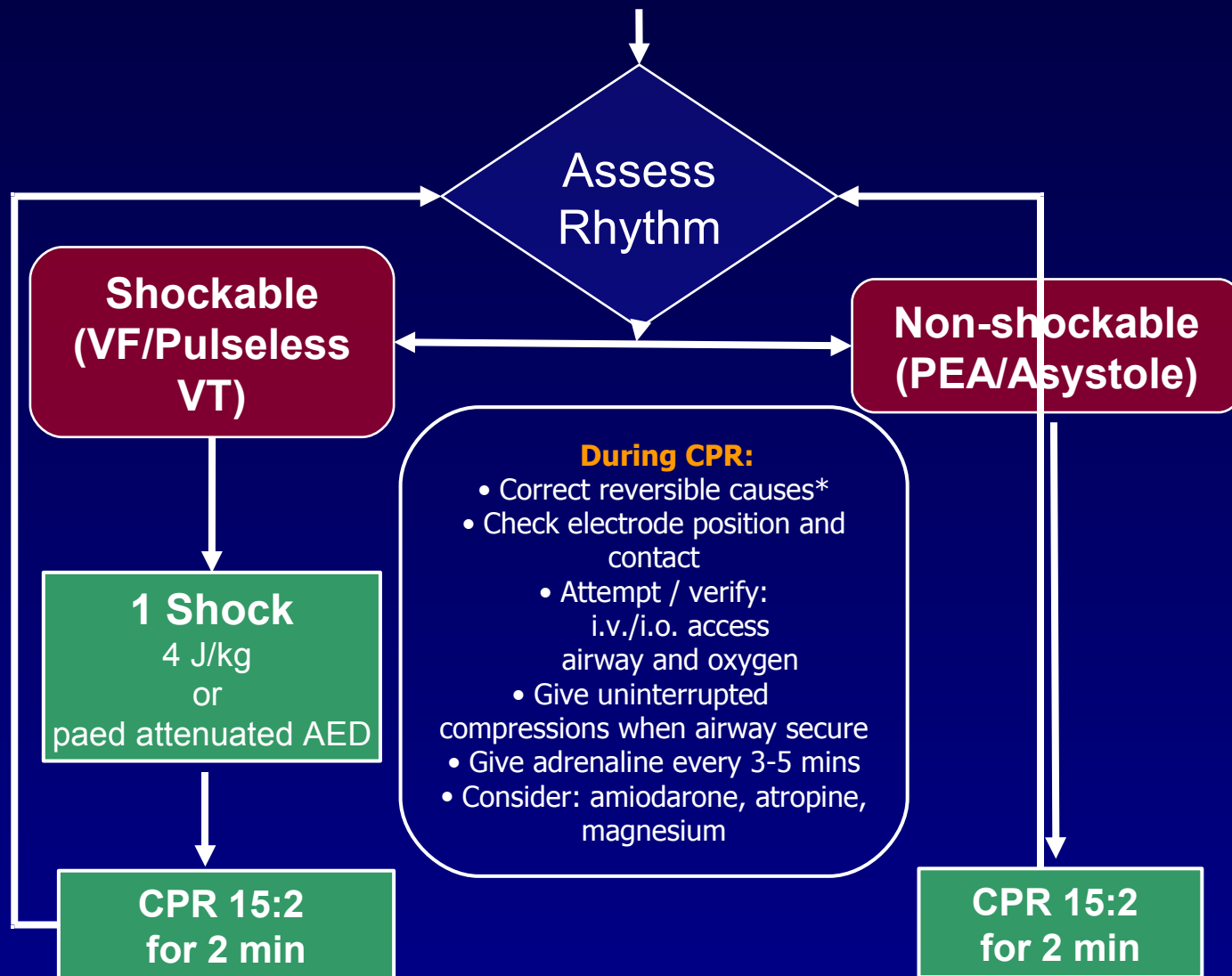


Circulation : defibrillation doses

- ✓ No stacked doses
- ✓ Dose : 4 J/kg for every single shock
 - Monophasic or biphasic
- ✓ No escalation
- ✓ Animal model
 - better results with 3-4 J/kg than with lower or adult doses
 - No myocardial damage with dose ≥ 9 J/kg







Start CPR as soon as possible



VF/pulseless VT



Give a single shock 4 J/Kg as soon as defibrillator is available



Don't feel the pulse - Give 2 min CPR - Check monitor



Give a single shock 4 J/kg



2 min CPR – check rhythm- Give adrenaline 10 mcg/kg (every 2 loops)



Give a single shock 4 J/Kg

DRUG – SHOCK – CPR - RHYTHM CHECK



2 min CPR — check rhythm - Give amiodarone 5 mg/kg



Give a single shock 4 J/Kg



drug, shock, CPR, rhythm check

- ✓ Adrenaline circulated by CPR after shock
- ✓ Adrenaline every two loops
- ✓ Change individual providing compression every 2 min



Circulation : defibrillation

- ❑ Place gel/ pads on chest
- ❑ Select energy : 4 J/kg
- ❑ Stop chest compressions and remove high flow oxygen
- ❑ Charge the defibrillator with paddles on chest
- ❑ “STAND CLEAR”
- ❑ Check that nobody is in contact with the patient / bed
- ❑ Check monitor for VF/VT and deliver shock
- ❑ Replace paddles on the defibrillator
- ❑ Return to CPR immediately



Circulation: minimise CPR interruption

Palpate briefly a pulse **only if** :

- modification of the arrest rhythm
- non-shockable / organised rhythm
- In VF/VT only after 2 min CPR (except if signs of life)
- In doubt resume CPR



Temperature management

For child comatose after ROSC :

- ✓ Aggressively control hyperthermia
- ✓ Do not rewarm if hypothermic (if $>32^{\circ}\text{C}$)
- ✓ Cooling down to $32\text{-}34^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 12-24 hours
- ✓ Avoid shivering (analgesia, NM blockade)
- ✓ After 12-24 hours, rewarm by $0.25\text{-}0.5^{\circ}\text{C}$ per hour
- ✓ Check for infection, CV instability, coagulopathy, hyperglycaemia, electrolytes abnormalities



Summary

- ✓ Avoid hyperventilation during CPR
- ✓ Prefer IV/IO to TT access
- ✓ New VF/VT algorithms :
 - Single shock
 - Minimise CPR interruption
 - No pulse palpation except if rhythm change
 - Adrenaline before 3rd shock, then every two loops
 - Amiodarone before 4th shock
- ✓ Avoid hyperthermia
- ✓ Hypothermia



