

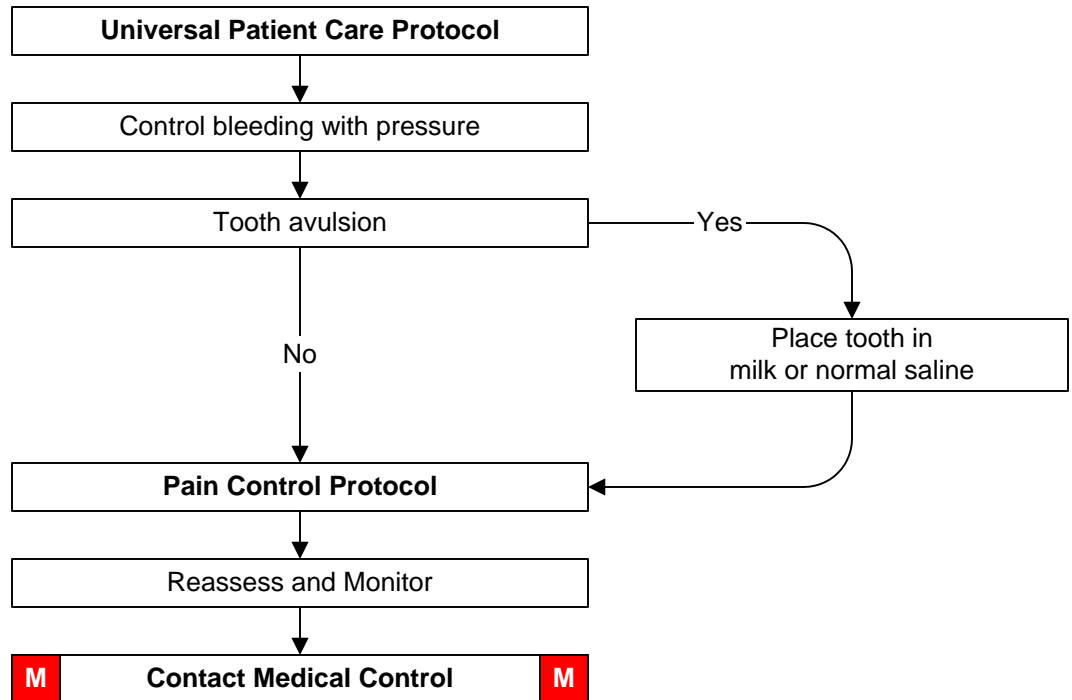


# Dental Problems



<b>History:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Age</li> <li>• Past medical history</li> <li>• Medications</li> <li>• Onset of pain / injury</li> <li>• Trauma with "knocked out" tooth</li> <li>• Location of tooth</li> <li>• Whole vs partial tooth injury</li> </ul>	<b>Signs and Symptoms:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bleeding</li> <li>• Pain</li> <li>• Fever</li> <li>• Swelling</li> <li>• Tooth missing or fractured</li> </ul>	<b>Differential:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Decay</b></li> <li>• <b>Infection</b></li> <li>• <b>Fracture</b></li> <li>• <b>Avulsion</b></li> <li>• <b>Abscess</b></li> <li>• <b>Facial cellulitis</b></li> <li>• <b>Impacted tooth (wisdom)</b></li> <li>• <b>TMJ syndrome</b></li> <li>• <b>Myocardial infarction</b></li> </ul>
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<b>Pearls:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Exam: Mental Status, HEENT, Neck, Chest, Lungs, Neuro</b></li> <li>• Significant soft tissue swelling to the face or oral cavity can represent a cellulitis or abscess.</li> <li>• Scene and transport times should be minimized in complete tooth avulsions. Reimplantation is possible within 4 hours if the tooth is properly cared for.</li> <li>• All tooth disorders typically need antibiotic coverage in addition to pain control</li> <li>• Occasionally cardiac chest pain can radiate to the jaw.</li> <li>• All pain associated with teeth should be associated with a tooth which is tender to tapping or touch (or sensitivity to cold or hot).</li> </ul>
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