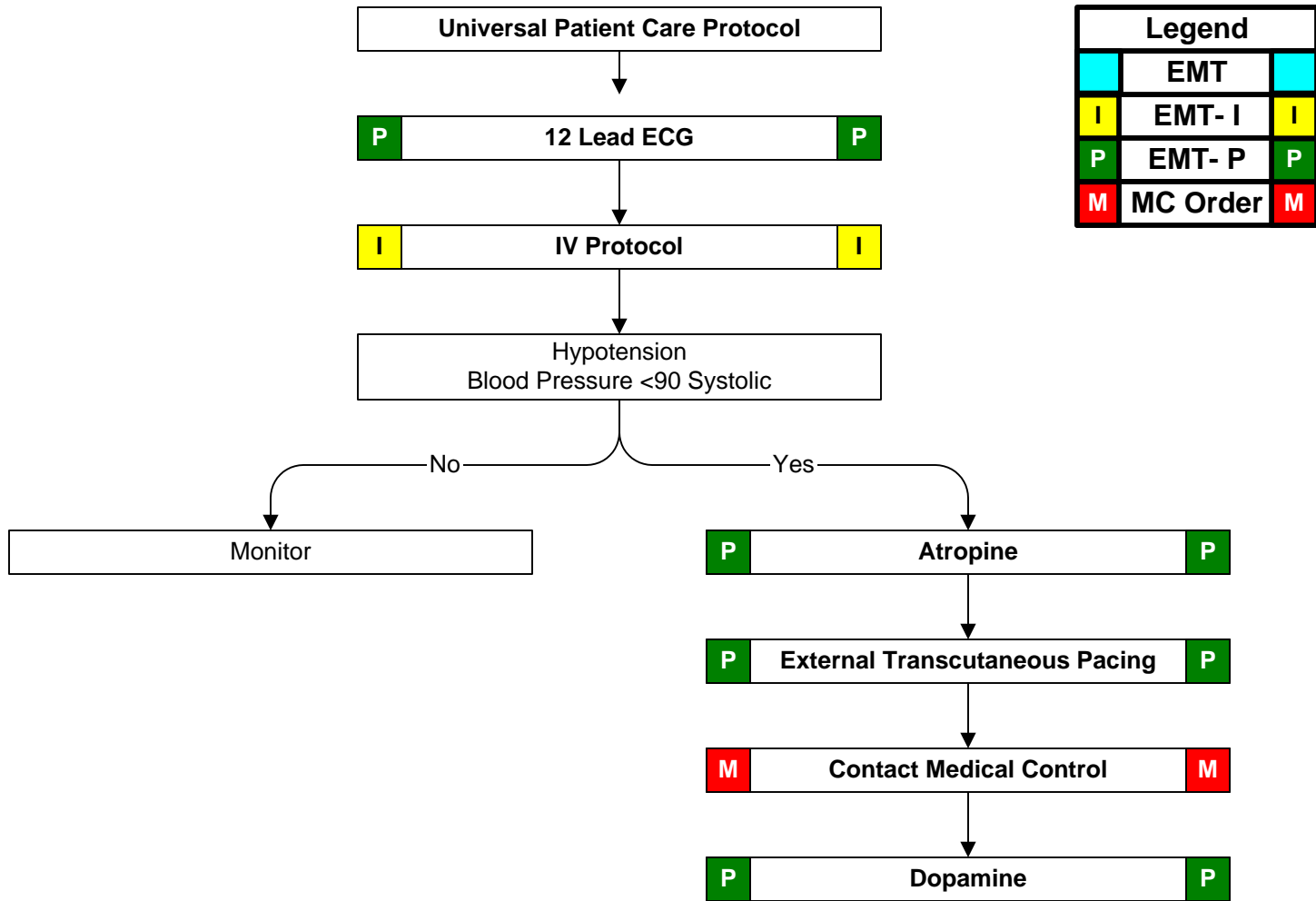




Bradycardia



History: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Past medical history • Medications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beta-Blockers • Calcium channel blockers • Clonidine • Digitalis • Pacemaker 	Signs and Symptoms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HR < 60/min • Chest pain • Respiratory distress • Hypotension or Shock • Altered mental status • Syncope 	Differential: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acute myocardial infarction • Hypoxia • Hypothermia • Sinus bradycardia • Athletes • Head injury (elevated ICP) or Stroke • Spinal cord lesion • Sick sinus syndrome • AV blocks (1°, 2°, or 3°)
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Pearls: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exam: Mental Status, Neck, Heart, Lungs, Neuro • The use of lidocaine in heart block can worsen bradycardia and lead to asystole and death. • Pharmacological treatment of Bradycardia is based upon the presence or absence of hypotension. • If hypotension exists, treat. • If blood pressure is adequate, monitor only.
