

FIRST RESPONDER INITIAL CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE OR RE-LICENSING PRACTICAL EVALUATION

3.34 Overdose

Key Performance Outcomes

- Manage an overdosed patient

Patient Instructions

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| C/C: | Unconscious |
| HxC/C: | Provided by brother - you shot up some heroin 20 minutes ago and now he can not wake you up. The brother panicked and called for an ambulance. |
| Pain Assessment (PQRST) | N/A |
| Relevant symptoms: | Track marks on both arms |
| Relevant past Med Hx: | Provided by brother - you have some form of heart defect but he doesn't know exactly what it is |
| Medications: | Provided by brother - you are suppose to take something for your heart but he doesn't know what the name of the medication is |
| Allergies: | Provided by brother - Shellfish |
| Other: | You are portraying a 21 year old male patient. You are found supine and unconscious. |

Scenario Information

Dispatch Information

You are dispatched to a know "crack-house" for a possible drug overdose. Dispatch informs you the police are already on scene.

Scene Information

You are met by the police who tell you the scene is secure. They inform you that one of the residents has overdosed on heroin. As you enter the house you see various drug paraphernalia and you notice one police officer is talking to a young male who is apparently the patient's brother. The patient is lying supine on the living room floor. As you approach you notice a syringe laying beside the patient.

Witnessed or Secondary Information (as required)

If asked, the brother will state the patient shot up some heroin 20 minutes ago and then he couldn't wake him up. The brother panicked and called for an ambulance.

| Criteria | Relevant findings | Required actions |
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| RSE | Police have secured the scene. Used syringe lying beside patient | Confirm with police that the scene is safe. Safely remove syringe away from patient |
| LOC | Unconscious | |
| D | None | |
| A | Noisy - snoring in character | Open airway (head-tilt/chin-lift) or OPA |
| B | Slow but adequate | |
| C | Radial pulse present and regular | |
| RBS | Track marks on both arms. No other injuries found | Find track marks |
| Critical Interventions | Manage a drug overdose | Maintain Airway and roll 3/4 prone |
| C/C | Unconscious - drug overdose | |
| HX C/C | As provided by brother - shot up heroin approximately 20 minutes ago | |
| Med Hx | Provided by brother - patient has some form of heart defect but he doesn't know exactly what it is | |
| Medication | Provided by brother - patient is suppose to take something for his heart but he doesn't know what the name of the medication is | |
| Allergies | Provided by brother - Shellfish | |
| Vital Signs | Initial Set | Second Set (if applicable) |
| | LOC Unconscious | LOC Unconscious |
| | PULSE 60 regular | PULSE 64 regular |
| | RESP 12 regular | RESP 12 regular |
| | SKIN Normal | SKIN Normal |
| Other/Misc. | | Oxygen therapy as soon as practical |