4.03 HEAD, NECK, AND FACIAL TRAUMA

BLS – FAQ Link

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- Keep avulsed teeth in saline and transport with patient
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ALS

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Hemodynamically stable?

- **No** → **Normal Saline**
  500mL bolus IV/IO if lungs are clear.
  Reassess and repeat if indicated.
- **Yes** → **Nausea?**

Nausea? → **Ondansetron**
4 mg slow IVP/IM over 2-5 minutes
- or -
4 mg ODT PO
All routes q20min up to total dose 12 mg PRN

Pain?

- **Pain score 1-3**
  - **Ibuprofen**
    600 mg PO x 1 dose
  - **Ketorolac**
    Dose: 15 mg IV/IO bolus x1 dose
    --or--
    30 mg IM x1 dose
- **Pain score 4-10**
  - **Ketamine**
    IV/IO 0.25mg/kg in 100 mL of NS/D5W slow infusion over 10 minutes
    -or-
    IN 0.5 mg/kg
    Max dose for all routes is 30mg. Repeat dosing every 20 minutes, up to 2 doses
    WITH BASE CONTACT
  - **OR**
  - **Fentanyl**
    50 mcg IV/IO slow IV push (over 1 minute).
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    --or--
    100 mcg IN or IM (IN preferred).
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