5.01 VAGINAL BLEEDING (NOT RELATED TO LABOR) – PUBLIC COMMENT APRIL 2024 **BLS - FAQ Link** DRAFT VERSION Assess Vital Signs, ABC's and responsiveness, Oxygen PRN **ALS** IV/IO of Normal Saline TKO. Assess for signs of shock, if SBP < 90, Normal Saline fluid bolus. Inquire if patient has known pregnancy status or last known menstrual period. If patient reports pregnancy consider obstetric etiologies to vaginal bleeding. (Yes) Consider ruptured ectopic pregnancy in a woman of childbearing age with signs of shock.

If patient reports sexual assault or meets trauma criteria transport to appropriate specialty center.

Comments

- If reported trauma to the vaginal area, evaluation for external trauma should be offered to patient, apply direct pressure if appropriate.
- DO NOT pack the vagina with any material to stop bleeding.
- Place pad of large dressing over vaginal opening.

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BLS Treatment

- NPO
- Assess circulation, airway, breathing, and responsiveness.
- Position of comfort.
- Oxygen as indicated.
- If reported trauma to the vaginal area, evaluation for external trauma should be offered to patient, apply direct pressure if appropriate.
- Place pad or large dressing over vaginal opening.

ALS Treatment

- IV/IO of Normal Saline TKO.
- Assess for signs of shock, if SBP < 90, Normal Saline fluid bolus.

Comments

- DO NOT pack the vagina with any material to stop bleeding. A bulky dressing or pad may be used externally to absorb blood flow.
- Inquire if patient has known pregnancy status or last known menstrual period. If patient reports pregnancy, consider obstetric etiologies to vaginal bleeding.
- Consider ruptured ectopic pregnancy in a woman of childbearing age with signs of shock.
- If patient reports sexual assault or meets trauma criteria transport to appropriate specialty center.