

SNAPs at Triage Assessment

- *Standardized Nurse-Activated Protocols (SNAPs) at triage assessment are typically performed in the triage area but may be performed in the treatment area.*
- *SNAPs are approved by ED team consensus and apply only to stable patients.*
- *If patient unstable in any way, immediately notify the emergency physician.*
- *Fever is defined as oral T > 100.3°F or rectal T > 101.3°F*
- *Standing orders are separated into **tests/procedures** and **medications/fluids**.*
- *Of course, withhold a medication when the patient reports allergy or sensitivity.*

Accucheck

- All patients with diabetes (unless visit clearly unrelated)
- All patients with altered mental status or new weakness/numbness/clumsiness

Urine dipstick or Urinalysis

- All patients with flank or lower abdominal pain
- All elderly or chronically-ill patients with fever
- All females with UTI symptoms

UCG (pregnancy test)

- All females, 12-50 years old, with abdominal pain, vaginal bleeding, vomiting, lightheadedness, or syncope

ECG

- All patients 30 years of age or older with non-traumatic chest pain
- All patients with HR <50 or >110.

Rapid Strep

- All patients with a chief complaint of sore throat

Extremity Radiograph

- For injuries to ankle, foot, toes, clavicle, elbow, wrist, hand, fingers

CXR (PA and lateral)

- Cough and fever with neither respiratory distress nor hypoxia

CXR (AP, portable)

- Cough and fever with respiratory distress or hypoxia

Tetanus Prophylaxis in Adults

- Indications: eye/skin wound or infection and last immunization > 5 years
- **dT 0.5 ml IM in deltoid of upper extremity [May use Tdap (Adacel) in adults under 65 years and not known to be pregnant]**



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Antipyretics in Febrile Patients

Adults

- **First choice: Acetaminophen: 1 gram q 4 h PO or PR**
 - Do not use in those with known with allergy, sensitivities, or liver disease
- **Second choice: Ibuprofen: 600 mg q 6 h**
 - Do not use in pregnant patients or those with known allergy/sensitivity, renal disease, peptic ulcer disease, or taking Coumadin

Children

- **First choice: Ibuprofen: 10 mg/kg up to max 600 mg PO**
 - Do not use in pregnant patients or those with known allergy/sensitivity, renal disease, peptic ulcer disease, or on Coumadin
- **Second choice: Acetaminophen: 15 mg/kg up to max 1 gram PO or PR**
 - Do not use in those with known with allergy, sensitivities, or liver disease

