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CHILDBIRTH

I. AUTHORITY: Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9

II. DEFINITIONS:

A. Designated Hospital ~~means any of~~ may include any of the following facilities:

- Sutter-Roseville Medical Center, Roseville
- U.C. Davis Medical Center, Davis
- Madera Childrens, Madera
- Regional Medical Center, Fresno
- San Joaquin General, Stockton
- Washoe Medical Center, Reno NV
- Doctors Medical Center, Modesto*
- Memorial Medical Center, Modesto*

*These facilities are considered equidistant for purposes of determining closest facility located in Modesto.

III. PURPOSE: To serve as the treatment standard for EMTs ~~Is~~ and EMT-Ps in treating patients.

IV. PROTOCOL:

STANDING ORDERS

ALL DELIVERIES

~~(as time permits)~~
~~(Mother)~~

ABC's

OXYGEN

Oxygen delivery as appropriate

MONITOR

Treat rhythm as appropriate

ROUTINE DELIVERY

TRANSPORT

Transport with mother placed on left side, ~~if time permits.~~

DELIVER NEWBORN

As head is delivered, gently suction newborn's mouth and nose, keeping the head dependent. Use hand on head to prevent explosive delivery. If cord is wrapped around neck and cannot be slipped over the newborn's head, double clamp and cut between clamps. Complete delivery of newborn's body. Dry newborn and keep warm. Place newborn on mother's abdomen or breast. Double clamp and cut cord between clamps 6 – 8 inches from newborn.

ASSESS NEWBORN

Refer to Newborn Resuscitation Policy 555.10

MESSAGE

FUNDUS FOLLOWING

DELIVERY OF PLACENTA

~~Following delivery of placenta~~ Massage Fundus

BREECH PRESENTATION

TRANSPORT

Code 3 while maintaining airway for newborn to a Designated Hospital.

CONSULT BASE PHYSICIAN

DELIVER NEWBORN

For a buttocks presentation, allow newborn to deliver to waist. Support the limbs and torso. Use hand on torso to prevent explosive delivery. When legs and buttocks are delivered, the head can be assisted out. If the head does not deliver rapidly, insert gloved hand into vagina, palm towards baby's face and cord between fingers to create an airway.

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PROLAPSED CORD

TRANSPORT

Code 3 ~~while maintaining maternal position and cord protection~~ to a Designated Hospital.

POSITION

Place the mother supine ~~with her hips elevated on pillows, or~~ in knee-chest position, face down.

PROTECT CORD

Insert gloved hand into vagina and gently push the presenting part off the cord. Cover exposed portion of cord with saline-soaked gauze. Do not attempt to push cord back into vagina.