HEMORRHAGE

Routine Medical / Trauma Care

Control any bleeding by applying direct pressure. (If Nosebleed, refer to *Nosebleed* protocol)

If direct pressure is not successful in controlling bleeding, apply tourniquet.

MINOR WOUND

- Clean area with soap & water
- Dress wound as appropriate
- Notify patient to check if their tetanus shot is current
- Apply additional dressings as needed.

SEVERE WOUND

- Administer supplemental oxygen per protocol
- Expose the wound and place direct pressure to the site
- Apply additional dressings as needed while continuing pressure. DO NOT remove saturated dressings
- If direct pressure is not successful in controlling bleeding, apply tourniquet.
- Immobilize site as needed with appropriate device

Obtain baseline vitals and history.

Monitor vitals every 15 minutes for stable patients and every 5 minutes for unstable patients until EMS arrival.

External bleeding Oozing, flowing or spurting blood from wound