

Basic Life Support Patient Care Standards

Summary of Changes

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Version 3.3

The following changes have been made between version 3.2 and 3.3:

Commonly Used Abbreviations

- Added Large Vessel Occlusion (LVO)
- Added Los Angeles Motor Scale (LAMS)

Cerebrovascular Accident (CVA, “Stroke”) Standard

- Update to Acute Stroke Bypass Protocol to include the Los Angeles Motor Scale (LAMS) tool to screen for Large Vessel Occlusion (LVO) if the patient is not contraindicated
- Update to provide the LAMS score to the CACC/ACS to assist in the determination of the closest or most appropriate Designated Stroke Centre

Soft Tissue Injuries Standard

- Additional information related to different wound types and application of well-aimed direct pressure to better align with the recommendations from the Hartford Consensus regarding best practice for hemorrhage control