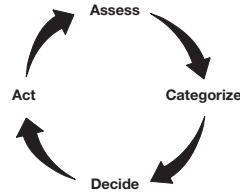




Assess–Categorize– Decide–Act (ACDA)



General Assessment 	<i>If at any point during the general assessment you identify a life-threatening problem, immediately start lifesaving actions and get help!</i>
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Appearance	TICLS: T one, I nteractiveness, C onsolability, L ook/Gaze, S peech/Cry		
	All normal?	Any abnormal?	
Work of Breathing	Normal effort	Increased effort Decreased effort	Abnormal sounds
Circulation	Normal skin color, no external bleeding	Abnormal skin color	External bleeding
Not life threatening ⇒ Go to primary assessment		Life threatening ⇒ Act!	

Primary Assessment 	<i>If at any point during the general assessment you identify a life-threatening problem, immediately start lifesaving actions and get help!</i>
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Airway	Clear	Maintainable	Not maintainable
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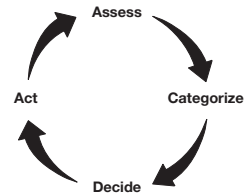
Breathing	Respiratory Rate	Respiratory Effort	Air Movement	Airway and Breath Sounds		Pulse Oximetry
	Normal Fast Slow Apnea	Normal Nasal flaring Chest retractions Head bobbing Seesaw respirations	Normal Decreased	Airway Sounds Stridor Barking cough Grunting Gurgling	Breath Sounds Prolonged expiration Wheezing Crackles	Normal oxygen saturation Hypoxemia

Circulation	Heart Rate	Pulses		Capillary Refill Time	Skin Color, Temperature	Blood Pressure
	Normal Fast (tachycardia) Slow (bradycardia)	Peripheral Normal Weak Absent	Central Normal Weak Absent	Normal: 2 seconds or less Delayed: >2 seconds	Pale skin Mottling Cyanosis Warm skin Cool skin	Normal Abnormal

Disability	AVPU Pediatric Response Scale				Pupil Size Reaction to Light		Blood Glucose	
	A lert	R V sponds to V oice	R P sponds to P ain	U nresponsive	Normal	Abnormal	Normal	Low

Exposure	Temperature				Skin			
	Normal	High	Low		Rash		Trauma	

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Categorize

Problem	Type	Severity
Respiratory	Upper airway obstruction Lower airway obstruction Lung tissue disease Disordered control of breathing	Respiratory distress Respiratory failure
Circulatory	Hypovolemic shock Distributive shock Cardiogenic shock Obstructive shock	Compensated shock Hypotensive shock
Respiratory + Circulatory	Respiratory type(s) + Circulatory type(s)	Cardiopulmonary failure

Decide

Decide what to do

Act

Begin appropriate actions