

EMS System for Metropolitan Oklahoma City and Tulsa 2025 Medical Control Board Treatment Protocols



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8B - TOXIDROMES ADULT & PEDIATRIC

| EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONDER |
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| ЕМТ |
| EMT-INTERMEDIATE 85 |
| ADVANCED EMT |
| PARAMEDIC |

Toxidromes as a Diagnostic Guide in Suspected Overdose

| Toxidrome | Signs and symptoms | Vital sign | Classic agents |
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| anticholinergic | delirium, flushed skin, dilated pupils, urinary retention, decreased bowel sounds, memory loss, seizures (mnemonic: "hot as a hare, dry as a bone, red as a beet, blind as a bat, mad as a hatter") | tachycardia hyperthermia hypertension | atropine antihistamines scopolamine tricyclic antidepressants |
| cholinergic | confusion, weakness, salivation, lacrimation, urination, defecation, gastrointestinal motility, emesis, diaphoresis, muscle fasciculations, miosis, seizures, "Killer Bs": bradycardia, bronchorrhea, bronchospasm | bradycardia hypothermia tachypnea | organophosphates carbamates |
| hallucinogenic | disorientation, hallucinations, visual illusions, panic reaction, moist skin, hyperactive bowel sounds, seizures | tachycardia tachypnea hypertension | phencyclidine lysergic acid diethylamide cannabis |
| opiate/narcotic | altered mental status, unresponsiveness, miosis, shock, decreased respiration | bradypnea bradycardia hypothermia hypotension | dextromethorphan opiates: morphine propoxyphene |
| sedative/hypnotic | coma, stupor, confusion, sedation, CNS dsyfunction | apnea | ethanol barbiturates benzodiazepines anticonvulsants |
| sympathomimetic | delusions, paranoia, diaphoresis, piloerection, mydriasis, hyperreflexia, seizures, anxiety | tachycardia hypertension hyperthermia | cocaine amphetamines methamphetamine phenylpropanolamine ephedrine pseudoephedrine |