

AG05 Bites and Stings

Objectives:

- To appropriately assess and treat patients who receive bites and stings
- To identify source of bite or sting

General Information:

- The use of constricting bands requires an order from Medical Control
- Consider contacting Animal Control for identification and management of animal

**Warnings/Alerts:**

- Make no attempts to capture or kill the animal or insect inflicting the bite or sting
- Do not bring live animals to the hospital. Transport dead animals in a sealed container or consider bringing a photograph of the animal or insect that inflicted the bite or sting

OMD Notes:

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References:

Brady Emergency Care, 10th Edition, pg 502-506
Mosby Paramedic Textbook, 3rd Edition, 2007, pg 926-927

Performance Indicators:

Identification of Bite/Sting Source

Packaging of Amputated Part(s)

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