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Pre-Eclampsia/Eclampsia (also called toxemia of pregnancy) is a serious hypertensive disorder. Signs include: dark colored urine, excessive weight gain, and hypertension. The presence of two of these signs indicates pre-eclampsia and all three indicate eclampsia. A seizing patient in the third trimester should be assumed to be eclamptic. Eclamptic seizures can occur up to 1 week post partum. The definitive treatment for eclampsia is delivery of the child, therefore, consideration of transfer directly to a level of care with obstetric services should be considered when practical.

1. Baseline care standards.
2. Administer oxygen 15L per minute via non-rebreather mask.
3. Manage airway per protocol.
4. Establish IV of Normal Saline TKO.
5. Vital signs every 5 minutes, fetal heart tones, level of consciousness.
6. If patient is seizing, call for ALS intercept immediately.
7. Check blood glucose. If blood glucose is less than 60 mg/dl, administer:
 - *D50 slow IV.*
8. Transport the patient in left lateral recumbent position.

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