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## Purpose:

A. To establish the treatment standard for pediatric patients assessed with a partial or complete airway obstruction by a foreign body.
B. To establish a treatment standard for pediatric patients assessed to be in respiratory arrest.

## Authority:

A. California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5
B. California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9

## Protocol:

Blind finger sweeps shall NOT be used. Keep patient calm and in position of comfort.
A. Signs and symptoms of foreign body airway obstruction (FBAO):

1. Sudden onset of respiratory distress with coughing
2. Gagging
3. Stridor
4. Wheezing
B. Signs of severe obstruction:
5. Poor air exchange
6. Increased breathing difficulty
7. Silent cough
8. Cyanosis
9. Inability to speak or breath


Cross Reference: PD\# 9007- Pediatric Diabetic Emergencies
PD \#9019 - Brief Resolved Unexplained Event (BRUE)
PD\# 8837 - Pediatric Airway Management

