

CHEST PAIN/ACUTE MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION

- Routine Medical Care
- Signs of Shock - 2 or more of the following:
 - ➔ Pulse > 120/minute
 - ➔ Pale, cool and/or diaphoretic skin signs
 - ➔ BP < 90/systolic
 - ➔ Altered Mental Status
- If cardiac chest pain is suspected and the patient is able to swallow, give Aspirin 162 - 325 mg po as soon as possible (tablet or chewable – not enteric coated)
- NTG and MS may be prioritized as needed based on patient presentation
- Perform 12-Lead EKG, as appropriate, and transport to a cardiac receiving hospital if STEMI is identified. (See [page 125](#) - EKG 12-Lead) for EKG transmission and cardiac receiving center information
- Note: If the patient has taken **erectile dysfunction (ED) medication within the last 24 hours (Viagra/Levitra) or 36 hours (Cialis), withhold nitroglycerin**

