



Treatment Protocol: EYE PROBLEM

Ref. No. 1228-P

1. Assess airway and initiate basic and/or advanced airway maneuvers prn ([MCG 1302](#))
2. Assess for additional signs of trauma
If traumatic injury suspected, treat in conjunction with [TP 1244-P, Traumatic Injury](#)
3. If penetrating globe injury present/suspected, shield the eye and position patient at 45 degrees ①
Do not put any pressure on the eye
4. Do not remove any impaled foreign bodies from eye; secure them in place
5. If contacts lenses are present and the patient is unable to remove them, leave in place
6. Establish vascular access prn ([MCG 1375](#))
7. Burns to eye:
Chemical Burn – Irrigate with **Normal Saline 1L**
Thermal Burn – Cover with dry dressing
Treat in conjunction with [TP 1220-P, Burns](#)
8. For eye pain: refer to [MCG 1345, Pain Management](#)
Dose per [MCG 1309](#)
9. For nausea or vomiting in patients ≥ 4 years old:
Ondansetron 4mg ODT



SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- ① Consider a penetrating globe injury with any eye trauma, especially penetrating trauma, large subconjunctival hemorrhage, abnormal shaped pupil or iris, or the appearance of fluid or tissue coming from the eye.

