



Patient with foreign body in the esophagus

Purpose:

To facilitate the transfer of a patient with a foreign body in the esophagus to Le Bonheur Children's Hospital. The patient can be "automatically accepted" if the following criteria are met:

1. Patient needs to be hemodynamically stable
2. All menarche females have a negative pregnancy test (Le Bonheur does not have OB services)
3. Confirmed that the foreign body is in the esophagus and not in the airway, stomach or intestines)
4. Confirmed that the foreign body is not a button battery

Process:

1. Call the Transfer Center at **901-287-4408**.
2. Transfer center will obtain patient's demographic information.
3. Provide recent set of vitals (temperature, blood pressure, pulse oxygenation and pulse).
4. If PediFlite is needed for transport, please inform the transfer center.
5. If you want to speak with an ER physician for any reason, please inform the transfer center and they will promptly connect you with a physician.

Recommended Treatment:

1. Patient should be kept NPO
2. Normal Saline bolus 20 cc/kg; Max Dose 1 Liter
3. Maintenance IV fluids (example D5 NS)
4. Morphine 0.1 mg/kg IV (max dose 4mg) q2hr PRN pain
5. Ondansetron 0.1 mg/kg IV (max dose 8 mg) q8hr prn nausea/vomiting