

Chest Pain

The order sets are constructed to be practical and reflect proven standards care based on best available evidence and or preference/ opinion of physicians in the OSF System.

Goals:

1. Priority to exclude acute coronary ischemic syndrome.
2. Recommend use of beta-blockers and aspirin early in event of AMI or unstable angina.
3. Emphasize early identification of patients with Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI) with aggressive treatment appropriate for the facility.
4. Emphasize preventive health medicine in reducing future risk for AMI through patient education on diet, exercise, weight loss, smoking cessation and follow-up intervention for risk factors. (Cupples ME, Mcknight A. BMJ 1994; 309: 993-6. and BMJ 1999; 319: 687-8.) and (2000 ACC/AHA Taskforce on Practice Guidelines).

*Sources

1. American College of Cardiology/ American Heart Association Task Force on Practice Guidelines 2000.
2. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) (2000).
3. www.clinicalevidence.org