

SYNCOPE

(FAINTING)

CHECKLIST: PRE-SYNOPAL

REMAIN CALM

START HERE - STEP 1

(PRIOR TO FAINTING)

Paleness

Sweating

Dizziness

Light Headedness

- ☐ Terminate all dental treatment or activity
- ☐ Place in supine position; legs above heart
- ☐ Attempt to comfort person
- ☐ Cool towel or cold compress to forehead
- ☐ Monitor vital signs

CHECKLIST: SYNCOPAL EPISODE

START HERE - STEP 1

(FAINTING)

YES

Is person breathing?

NO

- ☐ Place crushed ammonia capsule under nose
- ☐ Administer oxygen
- ☐ Monitor vital signs
- ☐ Contact person's physician regarding treatment and discharge status
- ☐ Plan to minimize anxiety at future visits

☐  **CALL 911 EMS**

- ☐ Initiate your **Medical Emergency Plan**
- ☐ Assess **ABCs** (Airways, Breathing, Circulation)
- ☐ Initiate **Basic Life Support** as indicated
- ☐ Administer Oxygen
- ☐ Prepare patient for transport to emergency department by EMS



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