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## **SNAKE ENVENOMATION**

## **ALS STANDING ORDERS:**

- 1. Minimize patient movement.
- 2. Splint or otherwise immobilize the affected extremity; keep affected extremity at or below the level of the heart.
- 3. Apply OCEMS approved tourniquet if bite is on distal extremity, above the joint space immediately proximal to the bite. Tighten to allow a finger to slide under the tourniquet and such that a distal pulse is palpable.
- 4. For pain:
  - ▶ Morphine sulfate 5 mg (or 4 mg carpuject) IV, may repeat once to control pain.
- 5. ALS escort to nearest PRC, contact Base Hospital as needed.

