**EMR DISCONTINUE RESUSCITATION PROTOCOL**

**Indications:** Patient in Cardiac Arrest who have not responded to interventions under other treatment protocols.1

**Cautions**2**:** Children

 Hypothermia

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**Footnotes**

1. Follow EMR AED protocols
2. EMR Attendants are expected to modify the procedures in those cases where a more favorable outcome may be expected (e.g. children, hypothermia). Modifications will be made only if it is in favour of the patient.
3. If unable to contact EP, follow local medical protocol – which may include cessation of resuscitation.
4. Following discontinuation of resuscitation efforts, the EMR should ensure compliance with local policy and procedure (i.e. contacting local police agency, coroner, etc.) – this may vary from region and jurisdiction.

Continue resuscitation until the following criteria have been met;

* CPR has been continued for > 30 minutes without return of signs of life (e.g. patient movement, coughing or breathing) at any time during this time period.
* Attempt to contact Emergency Physician and follow instructions3.

**Basic Life Support (BLS) and /or appropriate protocols started**