

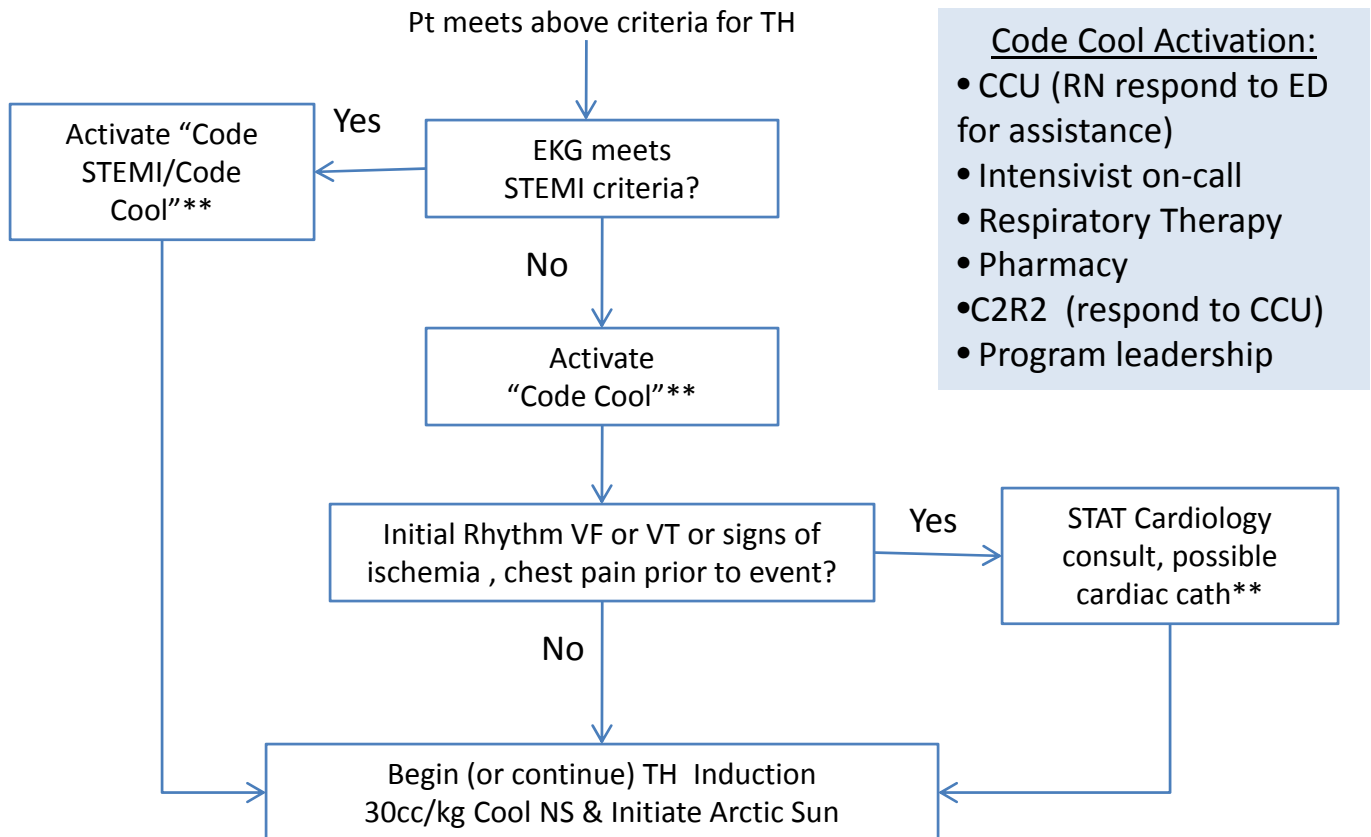
Emergency Department *Code Cool* Process

Inclusion Criteria:*

- Cardiac arrest with continuous ROSC for 15 minutes.

Exclusion Criteria:*

- Unwitnessed PEA/Asystole arrest
- Patient follows commands or has purposeful movements
- Arrest due to trauma, hemorrhage, or sepsis
- > 8 hrs since ROSC
- Advanced care not warranted (e.g. DNR/DNI, pre-event terminal condition)
- Another reason to be comatose (comatose at baseline, stroke, status epilepticus prior to arrest)
- Refractory shock (SBP < 90 mmHg, despite use of vasopressors)
- Temp < 34° C
- Pregnancy (consult OB prior to cooling)
- Known coagulopathy or bleeding disorder



*The inclusion/exclusion criteria are provided as a guide and clinical discretion supersedes any of these criteria if the benefit outweighs the risk.

** Initiate induction of hypothermia prior to cardiac cath. Keep groin area clear of cooling device or ice packs.

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