

**SPECIAL PROCEDURES**  
**S6 / ENDOTRACHEAL SUCTIONING FOR MECONIUM ASPIRATION**

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**If thick meconium stained amniotic fluid is present, do not stimulate the infant to breathe. Use appropriate aspiration adapter.**

- Intubate immediately with appropriate size ET Tube.
- Connect ET Tube to meconium aspiration adapter and to suction;
- Withdraw ET Tube while suctioning;
- If ET Tube is filled with meconium, re-intubate with a new ET Tube and suction again until clear;
- Resume Neonatal resuscitation protocol;
- If intubating and suctioning takes longer than 90 seconds, give BVM/OXYGEN Therapy.

**Disrupted Communications - In the event of a "disrupted communications" situation, the EMT-P in Solano County may utilize all portions of this treatment protocol without Base Hospital Contact as is needed to stabilize an immediate patient.**