

Chapter 5

Basic Life Support for Infants

- Check responsiveness
- Open airway
- Check breathing and give breaths
- Check circulation

Opening an Infant's Airway



● Checking Infant's Pulse ●



Infant Rescue Breathing

- Only enough air to make chest rise
- Deliver 1 breath every 3 seconds
- Approximately 20 breaths a minute

Infant CPR

- Find proper landmark
- Compress chest 1/2 to 1 inch
- Rate of 100 compressions per minute
- Give 5 compressions and 1 breath



● Signs of Infant Choking ●

- Infant is unable to:
 - cry
 - cough
 - breathe
- Infant is making high pitched sounds.

Conscious Infant with Airway Obstruction

- Position infant face down on forearm
- Deliver 5 back blows
- Turn infant face up
- Deliver 5 chest thrusts
- Continue cycle until object is dislodged





Unconscious Infant with Airway Obstruction

1 of 3

- Open airway and check breathing
- Attempt two breaths
- Reposition head
- Attempt two breaths

Unconscious Infant with Airway Obstruction

2 of 3

- Position infant face down on forearm
- Deliver 5 back blows
- Turn infant face up
- Deliver 5 chest thrusts

Unconscious Infant with Airway Obstruction

3 of 3

- Check mouth for foreign body
- Attempt two breaths
- Reposition head and attempt breaths
- Continue until airway is cleared