

# Electrolyte Problems

## Inpatient

- New hyponatremia  $< 130$
- Hyponatremia  $< 135$  with altered mental status, seizures, or severe medical etiology
- Hypernatremia  $> 155$
- Hypernatremia  $> 150$  with altered mental status, seizures, severe medical etiology
- Hypokalemia  $< 2.5$  DESPITE OUTPATIENT TX
- Hypokalemia  $< 3.0$  with significant symptoms
- Hyperkalemia  $> 6.5$
- Hyperkalemia  $> 5$  with:
  - Severe ECG findings (NOT just peaked T waves)
  - Acute worsening of renal failure
  - Severe weakness
  - Severe medical etiology
- Hypercalcemia  $> 14$
- Hypercalcemia  $> 12$  with severe dehydration, AKI, hemodynamic instability, symptoms

## Documentation Tips

- **Please state cause of electrolyte abnormality.**
- **Please state treatment plan.**