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**MANAGEMENT AFTER RESUSCITATION FROM CARDIAC ARREST**

- **Patients resuscitated from cardiac arrest**
  - Full clinical assessment, 12-lead ECG, laboratory test
    - **Evidence of transient or reversible cause**
      - Assess for additional ECG abnormality, structural heart disease, and undiagnosed coronary disease
      - Normal Heart
      - Abnormal
        - No further cardiac investigation or treatment needed
    - **Cause Uncertain**
      - Detailed assessment by cardiologist with interest in rhythm management
      - **(A) ST Segment elevation MI Resulting in completed transmural infarction (new Q waves)**
        - Usual Treatment
      - **(B) Critical reversible ischaemia with good LV function**
        - Revascularisation
    - **Evidence or Coronary Disease**
      - All others (neither A nor B)

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