

TRANSFER ABCs

A - Airway	Intubated on arrival for GCS 5 (M3VIEI) - RSI - grade I view. Airway now patent, protected with size 8.5 ETT tube 22cm teeth and tied. Cervical collar in situ.
B - Breathing	Paralysed & on Volume Control TV 600 RR 12 R sided HTX and a 32 Fr intercostal catheter in place, drained 400ml blood. SpO2 now 96%
C - Circuln	Haemodynamically stable after 750ml crystalloid titrated to radial pulse in 250ml aliquots (permissive hypotension). HR 90 BP 74/50 Bleeding likely from HTX, abdomen and pelvis.
D - Disability & Drugs	M3VIEI PEARLA initially, now M1VTEI on propofol/vecuronium infusion. No localising signs
E - Exposure	R HTX drained as above. Abdomen tense and tender in LUQ, suspect splenic injury. No other injuries on log roll, pelvic binder applied. Warm blankets, Bair hugger, Warmed Fluids
F - Fluids	3 x 250ml crystalloid aliquots titrated to radial pulse (SBP 70) IDC in situ and drained 300ml clear urine
G - Gut	Last ate 7pm. NG passed and on free drainage.
H - Haem	Hb 114 on iStat, INR 1.0 No ACoTS Lactate 2.2
I - Infusions	Not on vasopressors On propofol & vec infusions for transport
J - JVP	Not elevated - no signs tPTX/tamponade.
K - Kelvin	Temp is 36 degrees with active warming
L - Lines	14G IV R wrist 8Fr rapid infuser L ACF
M - Micro	Has been given ADT
N - Notes/ NOK	His notes are in this envelope, including copies of plain X-rays NOK are aware and here are their contact details.

INTRANASAL MEDS

ANALGESIA

Fentanyl 2 mcg/kg
Ketamine 0.5 - 1.0 mg/kg
(in adults use 1mg/kg)

SEDATION

Midazolam 0.5 mg/kg
Fentanyl 1.5 - 3.0 mcg/kg
Ketamine 1-2 mg/kg (up to 10 mg/kg)

SEIZURES

Midazolam 0.2 - 0.5 mg/kg
(10mg in teenagers/adults)

OPIATE OVERDOSE

Naloxone 2mg (2ml)

EPISTAXIS

Oxymetazoline 1.0 - 2.0 ml to affected nostril (add lignocaine for cautery) then apply cottonwool soaked oxymetazoline & apply 'Buck Plug' nasal clamp

NB : USE MIN VOL eg 5mg/ml midazolam, 1mg/ml naloxone. Allow for 'dead space' - add 0.1 ml per squirt

INTRANASAL DRUG ADMINISTRATION HAS POTENTIAL COMPLICATIONS OF SEDATION MONITOR HR, BP, SpO2, RR, ETCO2 & RASS

ESTABLISH IV IF THERE IS ONGOING NEED FOR SEDATION-ANALGESIA-TREATMENT

ANAPHYLAXIS

Use IM adrenaline in advance of IV dosing

IM Adrenaline 1:1000 (1 mg/ml)
0.01 mg/kg to max 0.3-0.5 mg IM

Can repeat 5 minutely if not better or if worsening

AGE	DOSE ADRENALINE 1:1000 vial	VOLUME 1:1000/1ml
Adult	500 micrograms IM	0.5 ml
>12 yrs	500 micrograms IM	0.5 ml
6 -12 yrs	300 micrograms IM	0.3 ml
< 6 yrs	150 micrograms IM	0.15 ml

Don't forget to give normal saline 10-20ml/kg boluses for persistent hypotension. Salbutamol nebulisers may help with ongoing bronchospasm.

Patients on beta-blockers who do not respond to adrenaline may benefit from glucagon IV (20 to 30 mcg/kg up to a maximum of 1 mg).

IV adrenaline may be given if there is no resolution despite multiple doses of IM adrenaline — experts vary in their recommendations of how to give this. APLS guidelines suggest 0.1-5.0 micrograms/kg/min

If resistant, I prefer this simple approach:

- grab 1 mg of adrenaline 1:10,000 from the resus trolley
- inject into 1000 ml bag of normal saline
- start infusion at 1 ml/min, which is 1 microgram/min (this would be 0.1 micrograms/kg/min for a 10 kg child)
- increase rate until resolution of severe anaphylaxis

ASTHMA

STEP ONE

Continuous nebulised salbutamol
Nebulised ipratropium bromide
Hydrocortisone 200 mg IV (4mg/kg kids)
MgSO4 2g (50mg/kg max 2g) IV

if no improvement

STEP TWO

Adrenaline 0.5mg IM (0.01mg/kg) = 0.5ml 1:1000
Fluid bolus 20 ml/kg
CXR, ECG, VBG, Electrolytes, FBC

if no improvement consider NIPPV

AGITATED PATIENT

ketamine 1.5 mg/kg IV
over 30 secs
then 1 mg/kg/hr titrate to effect
if no IV, 5mg/kg IM

IF WORSENING
NIPPV
iPAP PS 8cm H2O
ePAP PEEP 3 cm H2O
continue nebuliser
through NIPPV

COOPERATIVE PATIENT

NIPPV
iPAP PS 8cm H2O
ePAP PEEP 3 cm H2O
continue nebuliser
through NIPPV

IF WORSENING
ketamine 1.5 mg/kg IV
over 30 secs
then 1 mg/kg/hr titrate to effect
if no IV, 5mg/kg IM

Consider the differentials

*heart failure, ACS, arrhythmia, pulmonary embolism
TENSION PTX, pericardial tamponade, obstruction,
foreign body, anaphylaxis*

AVOID INTUBATION IF POSSIBLE

PSYCH SEDATION

Immediate de-escalation; calm, quiet commands
 Call CODE BLACK if concerns
 Ensure safety - yourself, team, patient
 Baseline obs inc HR-BP-Temp-RR-BP-BGL-RASS
 Dress in hospital gown; bag & secure clothes.
 Check bag/clothes for potential weapons, drugs, notes
 Collateral history from friends/family/police
 Assess suicidality / homicidality
CONSIDER A NICOTINE PATCH
 Psych sedation is procedural sedation - risk/benefit

NO IV ACCESS	IV ACCESS
Olanzapine 10-20mg PO	Midazolam 2-5 mg IV titrate
Midazolam 10mg IM	Haloperidol 5 - 10 mg IV
Ketamine 4mg/kg IM	Ketamine 1 - 1.5 mg/kg IV

Repeat doses as necessary, target RASS score 0 to -3

The risk of apnoea should be anticipated

**MANDATORY 1:1 NURSING
 SUPPLEMENTAL OXYGEN AT ALL TIMES
 ECG / NIBP / SpO2 MONITORING
 ETCO2 if RECEIVED SEDATIVE
 DISCUSS WITH DR re FREQUENCY OF OBS**

EQUIPMENT TO MANAGE AIRWAY SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE

RASS

RICHMOND AGITATION SEDATION SCALE		
Term	Description	Score
COMBATIVE	overtly combative, violent, immediate danger to self/others	+4
VERY AGITATED	pulls or removes tube(s), catheter(s), aggressive	+3
AGITATED	frequent non-purposeful movement, fights ventilator	+2
RESTLESS	anxious but movements not aggressive or vigorous	+1
ALERT & CALM	Doctor or Nurse	0
DROWSY	Not fully alert, but sustained awakening to voice (eyes open > 10s)	-1
LIGHT SEDATION	briefly awakens with eye contact to voice < 10s	-2
MODERATE SEDATION	movement or eye opening to voice but no eye contact	-3
DEEP SEDATION	no response to voice, but movement or eye opening to physical stimulation	-4
UNROUSABLE	no response to voice or physical stimulation	-5

**TARGET RASS is 0 to -3
 AIRWAY EQUIPMENT and MONITORING must be available
 1:1 NURSING, 10 minutely obs
 LIAISE WITH RETRIEVAL SERVICE**

Procedure

- (i) observe patient - patient is alert, restless, agitated or combative (0 to +4)
- (ii) if not alert, state patient's name and say to open eyes and look at speaker
 - 1 if awakens with sustained eye contact to voice > 10s to voice
 - 2 if awakens with eye contact to voice < 10s
 - 3 if moves or opens eyes to voice but no eye contact
- (iii) if no response to voice, use physical stimulus (shoulder shake, trapezius squeeze, jaw thrust)
 - 4 if any movement to physical stimulation
 - 5 if no response to physical stimulation

RICHMOND AGITATION SEDATION SCALE

MAJOR BLEED

ACCESS TO THE CIRCULATION

Two wide bore IVs

Intraosseous or Cutdown or Rapid Infuser Catheter

PARAMETERS

Permissive hypotension MAP 65-70 mmHg may be acceptable (unless TBI/spinal injury/exsanguination)
 t > 35, pH > 7.2, Lactate < 4, BE < -6

FIND THE BLEEDING, STOP THE BLEEDING

Minimise time to surgery

Tourniquets / Aorticaval compression fist/knee

Tamponade bleeding eg: pelvic binder, direct pressure, sutures, Foley catheter, RapidRhino,

Tranexamic acid Ig load in first HOUR then infusion

Prothrombinex and O Neg in fridge in ED

If PPH - Uterine massage, oxytocin infusion, ergometrine, misoprostol, TXA, Bakri balloon, B-lynch

Transfuse using enFLOW fluid warmer

Arterial line, consider Ca++ (citrate toxicity)

**WARM FLUIDS / WARM THE ROOM
CATHETERISE THE BLADDER**

MAJOR BLEED

ADJUNCTS

Tranexamic acid Ig load IV (resus trolley/Imprest)

Combat Application Tourniquet (windlass) or Biers block tourniquet or Sphyg cuff at >200mmHg

Israeli or OLAES bandage (in resus bay) - compression bandage with integral compression bar

Foley catheter to penetrating wounds eg: neck

Knee in groin (femoral artery)
or Fist (aorticaval compression)

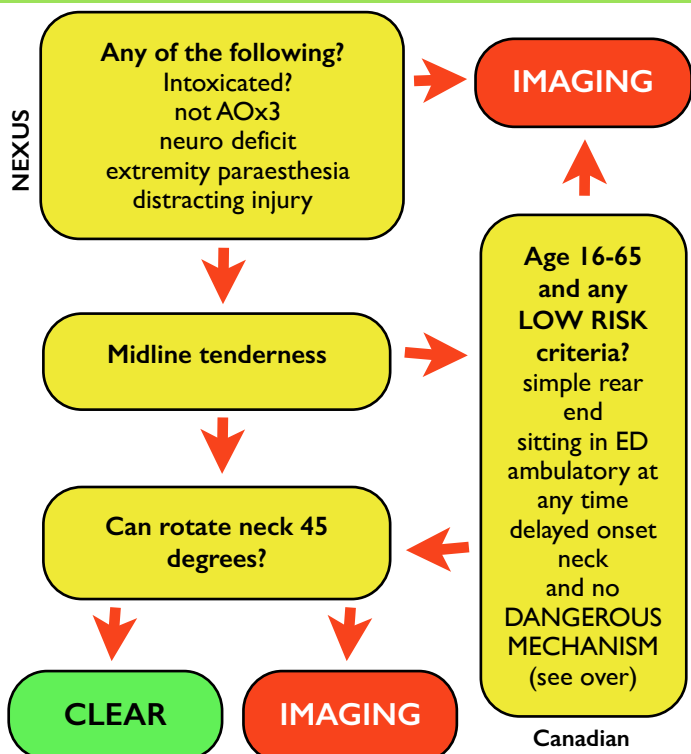
Sutures, Staples, Direct Pressure to lacerations

Pelvic binder (splint to skin)
Splint any suspected fractures (splint to skin)

WARM FLUIDS - WARM THE ROOM
Measure VBG and consider arterial line

BLOOD ON FLOOR & FOUR PLACES MORE

C SPINE DECISIONS



CCR-NEXUS COMBI

Dangerous Mechanism: fall from >3 ft or 5 stairs, an axial load to head, high speed (>60 mph) MVC, Rollover or Ejection MVC, Recreational Vehicle Collision, or Bicycle Collision.

Painful Distracting Injury: Including, but not limited to long bone fracture, visceral injury requiring surgical consultation, large laceration, de-gloving injury, crush injury, large burns, or any injury causing acute functional impairment.

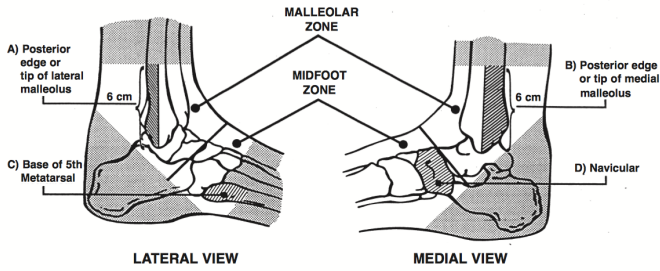
Midline Tenderness: in a 2cm band anywhere from the occiput to level of T1

Simple rear-end collision does not include: being pushed into oncoming traffic, being hit by a bus or large truck, rollover, being hit by a high-speed vehicle

Neck rotation: able to rotate neck 45° regardless of pain

CCR vs. Nexus: NEJM 349:26, Dec 25, 2003. Nexus :Annals EM 1992;21:1454-60. CCR :JAMA 2001;286:1841

OTTOWA ANKLE



a) An ankle x-ray series is only required if there is any pain in malleolar zone and any of these findings:

1. bone tenderness at A OR
2. bone tenderness at B OR
3. inability to bear weight both immediately and in ED

b) A foot x-ray series is only required if

there is any pain in mid-foot zone and any of these findings:

1. bone tenderness at C OR
2. bone tenderness at D OR
3. inability to bear weight both immediately and in ED

OTTOWA KNEE

Knee X-ray indications after acute knee injury:

- aged 55 years or over
- tenderness at the head of the fibula
- isolated tenderness of the patella
- inability to flex knee to 90 degrees
- inability to bear weight (defined as an inability to take four steps, ie. two steps on each leg, regardless of limping) immediately & at presentation

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2012/april/the-ottawa-knee-rules/>