



TRAUMA IMPALED OBJECTS



Escambia County, Florida – 1st Responder Medical Protocol

This protocol covers a specific type of injury and its treatment.

The initial assessment of the trauma patient should include determination of trauma alert criteria.

Priority should be given to airway management and rapid preparation for transport (eg. full immobilization on a backboard) and control of gross hemorrhage.

Assessment

- A. Assure ABC's. (See [General Supportive Care Protocol.](#))
- B. Attention to: Impaled objects in the head, neck, chest, abdomen, or extremities.

Treatment

- A. See [General Supportive Care Protocol](#), and [Trauma Protocol](#).
- B. Impaled objects in the head, neck, chest, abdomen, or extremities are not to be removed.
- C. Objects which obstruct the airway may be removed in order to provide adequate respiration or ventilation.

Report

- A. Report to crew as indicated in [General Supportive Care Protocol](#).



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