# 2007 NATIONAL CONTEST FIRST AID PROBLEM NO. 1

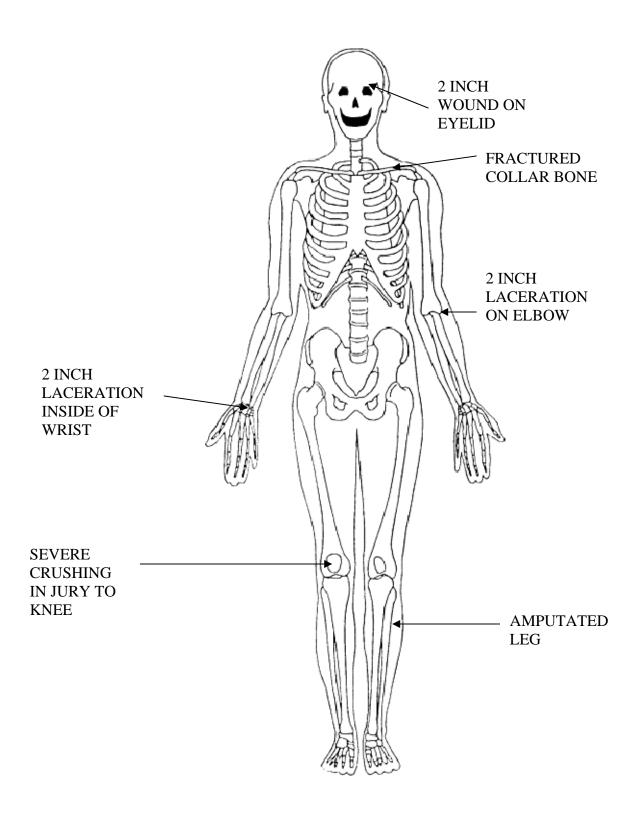


Your crew arrives on the section at approximately 0715 hours this morning. Coal run is normal and you are cleaning the feeder area at approximately 0930 when you stop to take a break. You are located in 3 left cross cut in the belt entry. You see a shuttle car approach the feeder across from your location. Jack Olinski, the off-side shuttle car operator, exits the car and stands looking outby. He observes someone on the phone outby the feeder. Next you notice a ram car approaching from inby. Before you can flag Jack, the ram car bucket hits him, at the top of his boots from behind. You see him fall back into the ram car bucket conscious but incoherent. Jim Webb, the ram car operator, sensing something wrong, pulls back approximately fifteen feet.

You jump and run to the off-side shuttle car operator. You are the first person to reach him. He has life-threatening bleeding from both legs. Scene is safe.

It is approximately 20 minutes to the surface from the section.

Please treat and transport your patient to the surface.



NOTE: CPR ENVELOPE TO BE GIVEN WHEN TEAM STARTS TRANSPORTATION TO SURFACE.

#### LIST OF INJURIES:

- 1. LIFE-THREATENING BLEEDING BOTH LEGS
- 2. SEVERED LEFT LEG (17 inches above the heel)
- 3. CRUSHED RIGHT LEG JUST BELOW THE KNEE (leg is barely attached)
- 4. 2 INCH LACERATION LEFT EYE LID
- 5. 2 INCH LACERATION LEFT ELBOW
- 6. 2 INCH LACERATION RIGHT WRIST (INSIDE)
- 7. FRACTURED LEFT COLLAR BONE

#### **JUDGES NOTE:**

THE TEAM SECONDARY SHALL BE HELD OUTSIDE THE WORKING AREA UNTIL THE PRIMARY REACHES THE PATIENT. NEXT THE BYSTANDER IS SENT IN TO HELP. ONLY SECONDS SHOULD SEPARATE THE PRIMARY, SECONDARY AND THE BYSTANDER.

### PATIENT ASSESSMENT

PROCEDURES	CRITICAL SKILL
1. SCENE SIZE UP	<ul> <li>A. Observe area to ensure safety</li> <li>B. Call for help</li> </ul>
2. MECHANISM OF INJURY	<ul> <li>A. Determine causes of injury, if possible</li> <li>B. Ask patient (if conscious) what happened</li> </ul>
3. INITIAL ASSESSMENT	<ul> <li>A. Verbalize general impression of the patient(s)</li> <li>B. Determine responsiveness/level of consciousness (AVPU) Alert, Verbal, Painful, Unresponsive</li> <li>C. Determine chief complaint/apparent life threats</li> </ul>
4. ASSESS AIRWAY AND BREATHING	<ul> <li>A. Correctly execute head-tilt/chin-lift or jaw thrust maneuver, depending on the presence of cervical spine (neck) injuries</li> <li>B. Look, listen, and feel for breathing (3-5 seconds)</li> <li>C. If present, treat sucking chest wound</li> </ul>
5. ASSESS FOR IMMEDIATE LIFE THREATENING CONDITIONS	<ul> <li>A. Check for presence of a carotid pulse (5-10 seconds)</li> <li>B. If present, control life threatening bleeding</li> </ul>

NOTE: BOOTS ARE ON THE PATIENT AND PANTS ARE STILL ATTACHED.

# LIFE THREATENING BLEEDING BOTH LEGS; PATIENT SHALL BE LAID DOWN IMMEDIATELY

# DIRECT PRESSURE ON RIGHT LEG WILL CONTROL BLEEDING

# A TOURNIQUET WILL BE NEEDED FOR THE LEFT LEG TO CONTROL BLEEDING

NOTE: APPLICATION OF DIRECT PRESSURE WITH GLOVED HAND SHALL BE DONE TO BOTH LEGS.

## **RIGHT LEG:**

#### LIFE-THREATENING BLEEDING

PROCEDURES CRITICAL SKILL

1. DIRECT PRESSURE AND ELEVATION	<ul> <li>A. Expose the wound.</li> <li>B. Clear the wound surface</li> <li>C. Apply direct pressure with a gloved hand</li> <li>ADVISE TEAM THAT BLEEDING HAS BEEN</li> <li>CONTROLED ON RIGHT LEG ONLY</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>D. Apply a dressing to wound (cover entire wound) and continue to apply direct pressure.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>E. Bandage dressing in place after bleeding has been controlled</li> </ul>
	□ F. Reassure patient
	□ G. Treat for shock

## **LEFT LEG:**

### LIFE-THREATENING BLEEDING

#### **PROCEDURES**

#### CRITICAL SKILL

1. DIRECT PRESSURE AND ELEVATION	<ul> <li>A. Expose the wound.</li> <li>B. Clear the wound surface</li> <li>C. Apply direct pressure with a gloved hand</li> <li>D. Apply a dressing to wound (cover entire wound) and continue to apply direct pressure</li> <li>E. Elevate the extremity except when spinal injury exists</li> <li>F. Bandage dressing in place after bleeding has been controlled</li> <li>G. Reassure patient</li> <li>H. Treat for shock</li> </ul>
2. IF NOTIFIED THAT BLEEDING IS NOT CONTROLLED, PRESSURE POINTS SHALL BE UTILIZED	<ul> <li>□ A. Apply pressure to appropriate pressure point and notify judge verbally that bleeding is controlled (Apply pressure to blood vessels leading to area - in arm, press just below armpit; in leg, press against groin where thigh and trunk join.)</li> <li>□ B. Bandage dressing in place after bleeding has been controlled</li> <li>□ C. Reassure patient</li> <li>□ D. Treat for shock</li> </ul>

## **External Bleeding**

To Control: 1st: direct pressure

2<sup>nd</sup>: elevation & direct pressure

3<sup>rd</sup>: pressure point

Last Resort: Tourniquet

### **TOURNIQUET**

#### **PROCEDURES**

#### CRITICAL SKILL

1. DETERMINE NEED FOR USING TOURNIQUET	If these conditions are met, a tourniquet may be the only alternative:  □ A. Direct pressure has not been successful in stopping bleeding  □ B. Elevation of wound above heart has not been successful in stopping of bleeding  □ C. Compression of pressure point has not been successful in stopping of bleeding.
1. SELECT APPROPRIATE MATERIALS	☐ A. Select a band that will be between 3-4 inches in width and can be wrapped six or eight layers deep for improvised tourniquet or select factory tourniquet.
3. APPLY BAND	<ul> <li>A. Wrap band around the extremity proximal to the wound (one inch above but not on a joint)</li> <li>B. Tie one knot in the bandage</li> <li>C. Place a stick or pencil on top of the knot and tie the ends of the bandage over the stick in a square knot</li> </ul>
4. APPLY PRESSURE WITH TOURNIQUET	<ul> <li>□ A. Twist the stick until the bleeding is controlled, secure the stick in position</li> <li>ADVISE TEAM BLEEDING HAS BEEN CONTROLLED</li> <li>□ B. Do not cover the tourniquet</li> <li>□ C. Notify other medical personnel caring for the patient</li> </ul>
5. MARK PATIENT APPROPRIATELY	☐ A. Mark a piece of tape on the patient's forehead "TQ" and time applied
6. REASSESS	☐ A. Assess level of consciousness, respiratory status, and patient response

### **Amputations**

- □ 1. Wrap in slightly moistened sterile dressing
- 2. Place in plastic bag or wrap in plastic
- 3. Keep part cool avoid freezing
- 4. Do not place in water or direct contact with ice
- 5. Transport with patient
  - 6. Label with patients name

6. DETERMINE PRIORITY OF
PATIENT

□ A. Teams must make statement to judge, "Will transport as soon as possible"
□ B. Teams must make statement to judge, "Removing clothing, exposing and cleaning wound surface(s)"

## **TEAMS WILL STATE LOAD AND GO**

# Teams are required to do a rapid trauma assessment.

7. DETAILED PHYSICAL EXAMINATION	ENVIRONMENTAL AND MEDICAL EMERGENCIES CAN BE TREATED ANY TIME DURING DETAILED PHYSICAL EXAMINATION
ASSESS:	
(a) HEAD	<ul> <li>A. Check head for DOTS: Deformities, Open wounds, Tenderness and Swelling</li> <li>B. Check and touch the scalp</li> <li>C. Check the face</li> <li>D. Check the ears for, bleeding, or clear fluids</li> <li>E. Check the eyes for any discoloration, unequal pupils, reaction to light, foreign objects and bleeding.</li> <li>F. Check the nose for any bleeding or drainage</li> <li>G. Check the mouth for loose or broken teeth, foreign objects, swelling or injury of tongue, unusual breath odor, discoloration</li> </ul>

## **2 INCH LACERATION TO EYE LID**

# **NO TREATMENT REQUIRED**

## **PATIENT ASSESSMENT CONTINUED**

(b) NECK	<ul> <li>□ A. Check the neck for DOTS</li> <li>□ B. Inspect for medical ID</li> </ul>
(c) CHEST	□ A. Check chest area for DOTS
	□ B. Feel chest for equal breathing movement on both
	sides
	□ C. Feel chest for inward movement in the rib areas
	during inhalations

## FRACTURED LEFT COLLAR BONE

NO TREATMENT REQUIRED

(d) ABDOMEN	□ A.	Check abdomen (stomach) for DOTS
(e) PELVIS	□ A.	Check pelvis for DOTS
	□ B.	Inspect pelvis for injury by touch (Verbally state
		inspection of crotch and buttock areas)
(f) LEGS	□ A.	Check each leg for DOTS
	□ B.	Inspect legs for injury by touch
	□ C.	Check legs for paralysis (pinch inner side of leg
		on calf)
	□ D.	Check legs for motion (in a conscious patient;
		team places hand on bottom of each foot and
		states "Can you push against my hand?"
	□ E.	Check for medical ID bracelet

# SEVERE CRUSHING INJURY TO RIGHT LEG JUST BELOW THE KNEE; FRACTURED TIBIA AND FIBULA

## NO TREATMENT REQUIRED

# AMPUTATED LEFT LEG 17 INCHES ABOVE THE HEEL

NO TREATMENT REQUIRED

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(g) ARMS	□ A.	Check each arm for DOTS
	□ B.	Inspect arms for injury by touch
	□ C.	Check arms for paralysis (pinch inner side of
		wrist)
	□ D.	Check arms for motion (in a conscious patient;
		team places fingers in each hand of patient and
		states "Can you squeeze my fingers?"
	□ E.	Check for medical ID bracelet

## **2 INCH LACERATION INSIDE RIGHT WRIST**

## **NO TREATMENT REQUIRED**

**2 INCH LACERATION LEFT ELBOW** 

**NO TREATMENT REQUIRED** 

(h) BACK SURFACES	□ A.	Check back for DOTS

## PATIENT TO BE SECURED TO BACK BOARD

### IMMOBILIZATION - LONG SPINE BOARD (Backboard)

PROCEDURE CRITICAL SKILL

1.	MOVE THE PATIENT ONTO	A.	One First Aid Provider at the head must maintain
	THE LONG SPINE BOARD		in-line immobilization of the head and spine
		В.	First Aid Provider at the head directs the movement
			of the patient
		C.	Other First Aid Provider control movement of the
			rest of body
		D.	Other First Aid Provider position themselves on
			same side
		E.	Upon command of First Aid Provider at the head,
			roll patient onto side toward First Aid Providers
		F.	Quickly assess posterior body, if not already done
			Place long spine board next to the patient with top
			of board beyond top of head
		H.	Place patient onto the board at command of the First
			Aid Provider at head while holding in-line
			immobilization using methods to limit spinal
			movement
		I.	Slide patient into proper position using smooth
			coordinated moves keeping spine in alignment
2.	PAD VOIDS BETWEEN	A.	
	PATIENT AND LONG SPINE	В.	Place padding as needed under the head
	BOARD	C.	Place padding as needed under torso
			1 0
3.	IMMOBILIZE BODY TO THE	A.	Strap and secure body to board ensuring spinal
	LONG SPINE BOARD		immobilization, beginning at shoulder and working
			toward feet
4.	IMMOBILIZE HEAD TO	A.	Using head set or place rolled towels on each side
	THE LONG SPINE		of head
	BOARD	B.	Tape and/or strap head securely to board, ensuring
			cervical spine immobilization
5.	REASSESS	A.	Reassess PMS (Pulse, Motor, Sensory)
		В.	Assess patient response and level of comfort

#### **SHOCK**

#### PROCEDURE CRITICAL SKILL

CHECK FOR SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF SHOCK	<ul> <li>A. Check for pale (or bluish) skin (in victim with dark skin examine inside of mouth and nailbeds for bluish coloration.</li> <li>B. Check for cool, clammy skin</li> <li>C. Check for weakness</li> </ul>
2. TREATMENT	<ul> <li>A. Keep victim lying down</li> <li>B. Cover with blanket to prevent loss of body heat and place a blanket under the patient. (Do not try to place blanket under patient with possible spinal injuries)</li> <li>C. Elevate according to injury</li> <li>D. Reassure and calm the patient</li> </ul>

# **ENVELOPE No.1 (GIVEN WHEN TEAM STARTS FOR OUTSIDE)**

PATIENT IS NOT BREATHING AND DOES NOT HAVE A PULSE.

**ENVLOPE No. 2 (GIVEN WHEN TEAMS GOES TO MANIKIN)** 

COMPLETE 5 SETS OF CPR AND YOUR PATIENT IS BREATHING AND HAS A PULSE.

## TW0 RESCUER CPR (NO SPINAL INJURY - MANIKIN ONLY)

PROCEDURES

### CRITICAL SKILL

TROCEDURES	CRITICAL SKILL
1. RESCUER 1 ESTABLISH UNRESPONSIVENESS	<ul> <li>A. Tap or gently shake shoulders</li> <li>B. Shout, "Are you OK?"</li> <li>C. Determine unconsciousness without compromising cervical spine (neck) injury</li> <li>D. Say aloud, "Call for help"</li> </ul>
2. RESCUER 1 - ESTABLISH AIRWAY	<ul> <li>A. Kneel at the patient's side near the head</li> <li>B. Correctly execute head-tilt/chin-lift maneuver</li> </ul>
3. RESCUER 1 - MONITOR PATIENT FOR BREATHING	□ A. Look, listen, and feel for breathing (3-5 seconds)
4. RESCUER 1 - VENTILATE PATIENT	<ul> <li>A. Place barrier device (pocket mask/shield with one-way valve) on manikin</li> <li>B. Give 2 breaths 1 second each</li> <li>C. Each breath - minimum of .8 (through .7 liter line on new manikins)</li> </ul>
5. RESCUER 1 – CHECK FOR CAROTID PULSE	<ul> <li>A. Correctly locate the carotid pulse - on the side of the rescuer, locate the patient's windpipe with your index and middle fingers and slide your fingers in the groove between the windpipe and the muscle in the neck</li> <li>B. Check for presence of carotid pulse for 5 to 10 seconds</li> <li>C. Verbalize absence of pulse</li> </ul>
2. RESCUER 2 – POSITION FOR COMPRESSIONS	<ul> <li>A. Locate the compression point on the breastbone between the nipples</li> <li>B. Place the heel of one hand on the compression point and the other hand on top of the first so hands are parallel</li> <li>C. Do not rest fingers on the chest Keep heel of your hand on chest during and between compressions</li> </ul>

7. RESCUER 2 - DELIVER CARDIAC COMPRESSION	<ul> <li>A. Give 30 compressions</li> <li>B. Compressions are at the rate of 100 per minute (30 compressions delivered within 23 seconds)</li> <li>C. Downstroke for compression must be on or between compression lines</li> <li>D. Return to baseline on upstroke of compression</li> </ul>
8. RESCUER 1 - VENTILATIONS BETWEEN COMPRESSIONS	<ul> <li>A. Give 2 breaths 1 second each</li> <li>B. Each breath - minimum of .8 (through .7 liter line on new manikins)</li> <li>C. Complete breaths and return to compressions in 4-7 seconds (This will be measured from the end of last downstroke to the start of the first downstroke of the next cycle.)</li> </ul>
9. CONTINUE CPR FOR TIME STATED IN PROBLEM	<ul> <li>A. Provide 5 cycles of 30 chest compressions and 2 rescue breaths</li> <li>B. To check for pulse, stop chest compressions for 5-10 seconds after the first set of CPR</li> <li>C. Rescuer at patient's head maintains airway and looks, listens, and feels for adequate breathing or coughing</li> <li>D. The rescuer at the patient's head shall feel for a carotid pulse</li> <li>E. If no signs of circulation are detected, continue chest compressions and breaths and check for signs of circulation every three minutes</li> <li>F. A maximum of 10 seconds will be allowed to complete ventilations and required pulse checks between sets (this will be measured from the end of the last downstroke to the start of the first downstroke of the next cycle</li> </ul>
10. CHANGING RESCUERS	A. Change of rescuers shall be made in 5 seconds or less and will be completed as outlined in the problem. Team must switch every 5 cycles in less than 5 seconds.
11. CHECK FOR RETURN OF PULSE	<ul><li>A. After providing required CPR (outlined in problem), check for return of pulse (within 10 seconds)</li><li>B. State "Patient has a pulse."</li></ul>

# EMS PROVIDERS ARE ON SITE AND WILL TAKE YOUR PATIENT.