



Paramedic Trauma Exam Study Guide

Learn the Facts

In preparation for this exam, please be sure that you have reviewed the following information provided by your textbook:

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Conditions listed in the index
- Glossary words
- Medical terms listed in each chapter
- Pathophysiology

Understand the Concepts

We especially recommend you understand the following concepts and terminology:

1. Subcutaneous emphysema
2. Disseminating Intravascular Coagulation
3. Transected aorta
4. Pleural decompression
5. Rhabdomyolysis
6. Pathophysiology of referred pain (such as, but not limited to, Kehr's sign)
7. Hemorrhagic compensatory mechanisms

Perform the Skills

Finally, make sure you can:

1. Treat a patient with toxic substance exposure (such as, but not limited to, hydrofluoric acid)
2. Treat an amputated extremities
3. Treat open neck and thorax lacerations
4. Categorize burn severity
5. Differentiate between types of shock
6. Assess a patient with a tension pneumothorax
7. Differentiate between a pericardial tamponade and tension pneumothorax
8. Identify increased intracranial pressures (ICP)
9. Compare traumatic brain injuries (TBI)
10. Treat a patient with supine hypotensive syndrome
11. Calculate total body surface area burned
12. Treat a hypotensive patient with traumatic injuries
13. Treat a patient with a tension pneumothorax
14. Identify various types of chest wall injuries
15. Recognize a life threatening injury
16. Treat a patient with an eye injuries
17. Recognize and treat crush injuries
18. Identify phases of shock
19. Treat a patient with an abdominal eviscerations

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