

### First Aid Problem Price 2016

It is graveyard shift. First aid mine rescue team has arrived at the scene where Maintenance Superintendent Harry P. and Maintenance Foreman Pat C. are troubleshooting the "C" Mains belt drive controller. Harry had the cover removed on the breaker panel and when he went to adjust the breaker settings he came in contact with 220 volt energized connection. After Pat activated the emergency stop button on the controller he tripped over cables hitting his head against the controller.

Pat is conscious and has sustained multiple injuries.

Harry is unconscious and has sustained injuries due to electrical shock.

Treat and prepare for transport the wounded to the surface as quickly as possible.

Fg # 1

### **HARRY**

PERFUSION: RADIAL PULSE ABSENT MENTAL STATUS: UNABLE TO FOLLOW

**COMMANDS** 

**UNCONSCIOUS CARDIAC DISTRESS** 

ELECTRICAL BURN ON RIGHT HAND AND RIGHT ELBOW

### **PAT**

RESPIRATIONS: < 30 PER MINUTE PERFUSION: RADIAL PULSE PRESENT MENTAL STATUS: ABLE TO FOLLOW COMMANDS

**5 INCH LACERATION ON FOREHEAD** 

**ELECTRICAL FLASH BURNS TO BOTH EYES** 

OPEN INJURY FRACTURE TO THE LOWER RIGHT FIBULA (OUTER LOWER LEG BONE)

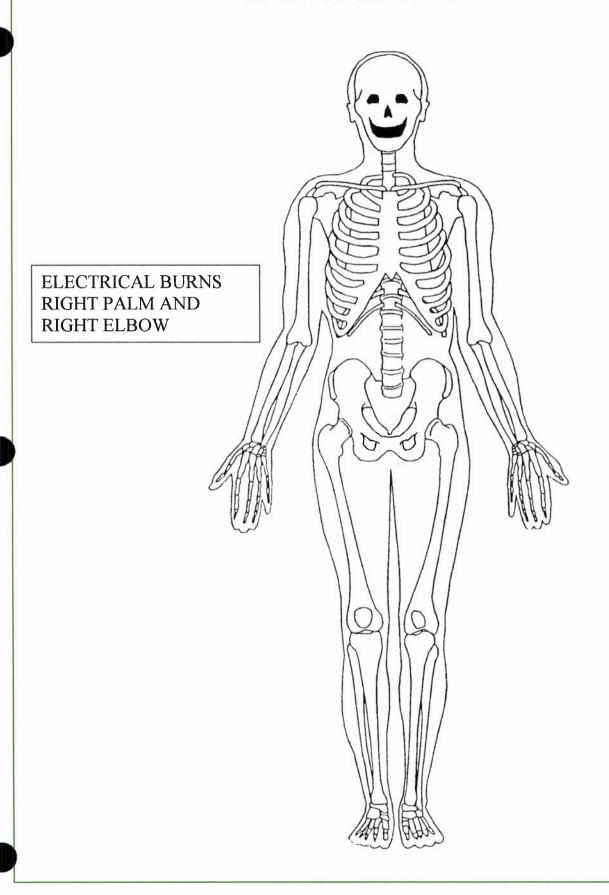
DISLOCATED THUMB LEFT HAND

**BROKEN MIDDLE FINGER RIGHT HAND** 

#2

# **PATIENT ASSESSMENT/UNCONSCIOUS** Electrical Flash Burns 5 Inch Laceration To Both Eyes Forehead Dislocated Broken Middle Thumb Finger Right Hand Left Hand Open Injury Fracture Right Fibula (Outer Lower Right Leg Bone)

### **HARRY/Unconscious Cardiac Distress**



### INITIAL ASSESSMENT

### **PROCEDURES** CRITICAL SKILL \*A. Observe area to ensure safety 1. SCENE SIZE UP \*B. Call for help \*A. Determine causes of injury, if possible 2. MECHANISM OF \*B. Triage: Immediate, Delayed, Minor or Deceased. **INJURY** \*C. Ask patient (if conscious) what happened \*A. Verbalize general impression of the patient(s) 3. INITIAL \*B. Determine responsiveness/level of consciousness (AVPU) Alert, Verbal, Painful, Unresponsive ASSESSMENT \*C. Determine chief complaint/apparent life threat

NOTE: Each critical skill identified with an asterisk (\*) shall be clearly verbalized by the team as it is being conducted. After initially stating what DOTS stands for, the team may simply state "DOTS" when making their checks.

• Teams may use the acronym "CSM" when checking circulation, sensation, and motor function.

### **HARRY**

IMMEDIATE: Rapid Patient Assessment treating all life threats Load and Go. Perfusion: Radial pulse absent. Mental Status: Unable to follow commands.

### **PAT**

DELAYED: Detailed Patient Assessment treating all injuries and conditions and prepare for transport. Respirations: < 30 per minute. Perfusion: Radial pulse present. Mental Status: Able to follow commands.

### **ENVELOPE #1**

HARRY IS NOT BREATHING AND HAS NO PULSE. RESUSCITATE USING "AED".

#5

### **MOUTH-TO-MASK RESUSCITATION**

**PROCEDURES** 

5. VENTILATE PATIENT

6. CHECK FOR RETURN

**PULSE** 

OF BREATHING AND

Tap or gently shake shoulders \*B. "Are you OK?" C. Determine unconsciousness without 1. ESTABLISH compromising C-spine injury **UNRESPONSIVENESS** \*D. "Call for help" \*E. "Get AED" (Note: If AED is used, follow local protocol) Look for absence of breathing (no chest rise and 2. MONITOR PATIENT fall) or gasping, which are not considered adequate FOR BREATHING (within 10 seconds) A. Correctly locate the carotid pulse (on the side of the rescuer) 3. CHECK FOR CAROTID Check for presence of carotid pulse within 10 **PULSE** seconds \*A. Presence of pulse A. Correctly execute head tilt / chin lift or jaw thrust 4. ESTABLISH AIRWAY maneuver depending on the presence of cervical spine (neck) injuries

**CRITICAL SKILL** 

A. Place barrier device (pocket mask/shield with one-

Ventilate patient 10 to 12 times per minute. Each

ventilation will be provided at a minimum of .8

After providing the required number of breaths

(outlined in problem), check for return of breathing

(through .7 liter line on new manikins)

and carotid pulse within 10 seconds

\*B. "Patient is breathing and has a pulse"

way valve on manikin

### **AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR**

|    | PROCEDURES                                   |   |          | CRITICAL SKILL  |
|----|--|---|----------|---|
|    |  | 0 | A.       | Tap or gently shake shoulders   |
|    |  |   | *B.      | "Are you OK?"   |
| 1. | RESCUER 1 – ESTABLISH<br>UNRESPONSIVENESS    |   | C.       | Determine unconsciousness without compromising cervical spine (neck) injury   |
|    |  |   | *D.      | "Call for help"   |
|    |  |   | *E.      | "Get AED" (Note: If AED is used, follow local protocol)   |
| 2. | RESCUER 1 – MONITOR<br>PATIENT FOR BREATHING |   | A.       | Look for absence of breathing (no chest<br>rise and fall) or gasping breaths, which<br>are not considered adequate (within 10<br>seconds)   |
| 3. | RESCUER 1 – CHECK FOR<br>CAROTID PULSE       |   | A.<br>B. | Correctly locate the carotid pulse – on the side of the rescuer, locate the patients' windpipe with your index and middle fingers and slide your fingers in the groove between the windpipe and the muscle in the neck  Check for presence of carotid pulse for 5 to 10 seconds |
|    |  |   |          | Absence of pulse  |
|    |  | 0 | A.       | Correct compression hand placement  |
|    | GIVES HIGH-QUALITY CPR                       |   | В.       | Adequate Rate: At least 100/min. (i.e., delivers each set of 30 chest compressions in 18 seconds or less)   |
| 4. |  |   | C.       | Adequate Depth: Delivers compressions at least 2 inches in depth (at least 23 out of 30)  |
|    |  |   | D.       | Allows complete chest recoil (at least 23 out of 30)  |
|    |  |   | E.       | Minimizes interruptions: Gives 2 breaths with pocket mask in less than 10 seconds   |

|    | 5. SECOND RESCUER ARRIVES WITH AED (DURING FIFTH SET OF COMPRESSIONS) | A.  | First rescuer continues compressions while second rescuer turns on AED and applies pads    |
|----|---|-----|--|
| 5. |   | *B. | RESCUERS SWITCH - First rescuer clears victim, allowing AED to analyze                     |
|    |   |     | (Judges shall provide an envelope indicating a shockable or non-shockable rhythm)          |
|    |   | *C. | If AED indicates a shockable rhythm, first rescuer clears victim again and delivers shock. |

### ENVELOPE #2 SHOCKABLE RYTHYM

| 6  | RESUME HIGH-QUALITY CPR | A. | Second rescuer gives 30 compressions immediately after shock delivery (2 cycles) |
|----|-------------------------|----|--|
| 0. | 2 5                     | В. | First rescuer successfully delivers 2 breaths                                    |

### **ENVELOPE #3**

RESPIRATIONS: < 30 PER MINUTE. PERFUSION: RADIAL PULSE PRESENT. MENTAL STATUS: ABLE TO FOLLOW COMMANDS. TRANSPORTATION IS DELAYED.

Perform patient assessment on both Harry and Pat. Treat all injuries.

### PATIENT ASSESSMENT

### PROCEDURES CRITICAL SKILL

| TROUBURES CRITICITE BRIEF |         |  |                                   |   |            |  |
|---------------------------|---------|--|-----------------------------------|---|------------|--|
| 1. HEAD                   |         |  | *A.  *B.  *C.  *D.  *E.  *F.  *G. | Check head for DOTS: Deformities, Open wounds, Tenderness and Swelling Check and touch the scalp Check the face Check the ears for bleeding or clear fluids Check the eyes for any discoloration, unequal pupils, reaction to light, foreign objects and bleeding Check the nose for any bleeding or drainage Check the mouth for loose or broken teeth, foreign objects, swelling or injury of tongue, unusual breath odor and discoloration |            |  |
| 2. NECK                   | 0       |  |                                   |   | *A.<br>*B. | Check the neck for DOTS Inspect for medical ID |
| 3. CHEST                  | 0       |  | *A.<br>*B.<br>*C.                 | Check chest area for DOTS Feel chest for equal breathing movement on both sides Feel chest for inward movement in the rib areas during inhalations  |            |  |
| 4. ABDOMEN                |         |  | *A.                               | Check abdomen (stomach) for DOTS  |            |  |
| 5. PELVIS                 |         |  | *A.<br>*B.                        | Check pelvis for DOTS Inspect pelvis for injury by touch (Visually inspect and verbally state inspection of crotch and buttocks areas)  |            |  |
| 6. LEGS                   | B.<br>C |  | *A.<br>B.<br>C.<br>*D.            | Check each leg for DOTS Inspect legs for injury by touch Unresponsive: Check legs for paralysis (pinch inner side of leg on calf) Responsive: Check legs for motion; places hand on bottom of each foot and states "Can you push against my hand?" Check for medical ID bracelet  |            |  |

| 7. ARMS                             | L  | R | *A.<br>B.<br>C.<br>*D.    | Check each arm for DOTS Inspect arms for injury by touch Unresponsive: Check arms for paralysis (pinch inner side of wrist) Responsive: Check arms for motion (in a conscious patient; team places fingers in each hand of patient and states "Can you squeeze my fingers?" Check for medical ID bracelet   |
|-------------------------------------|----|---|---------------------------|---|
| 8. BACK<br>SURFACES                 |    |   | *A.                       | Check back for DOTS   |
|                                     |    |   |                           | BURNS   |
| 1. DETERMINE<br>BURN TYPE           |    |   | *A.                       | Determine type Thermal Chemical Electrical  |
| 2. DETERMINE<br>BODY SURFAC<br>AREA | CE |   | *A.                       | Determine Body Surface Area (BSA) using rule of nines HARRY (9)   |
| 3. BURN CARE<br>(All Types)         |    |   | *B.  *C. *D.  *E. *F. *G. | Remove patient from source of burn and prevent further contamination  Consider the type of burn and stopping the burning process initially with water or saline if appropriate Remove jewelry  Continually monitor the airway for evidence of closure  Cover the burned area with a dry sterile dressing  Do not use any type of ointment, lotion or antiseptic  Do not break blisters  Ensure patient does not get hypothermic |
| 4. CARE FOR<br>ELECTRICAL<br>BURNS  |    |   | *B.  *C.  D.              | Ensure safety before removing patient from the electrical source If the patient is still in contact with the electrical source or you are unsure, do not approach or touch the patient, contact power company Monitor the patient closely for respiratory and cardiac arrest Treat the soft tissue injuries associated with the burn Cover both eyes Look for both an entrance and exit wound                                   |
| 5. REASSESS                         |    |   | *A.                       | Reassess level of consciousness (AVPU), respiratory   |

status, and patient response

### DRESSINGS AND BANDAGING - OPEN WOUNDS

PROCEDURES CRITICAL SKILL

| 1. EMERGENCY CARE<br>FOR AN OPEN<br>WOUND |                  | *A. Control bleeding  *B. Prevent further contamination  *C. Bandage dressing in place after bleeding has been controlled  *D. Keep patient lying still   |
|---|------------------|---|
| 2. APPLY DRESSING                         | -<br>-<br>-<br>- | <ul><li>A. Use sterile dressing</li><li>B. Cover entire wound</li><li>C. Control bleeding</li><li>D. Do not remove dressing</li></ul>   |
| 3. APPLY BANDAGE                          |                  | <ul> <li>A. Do not bandage too tightly.</li> <li>B. Do not bandage too loosely.</li> <li>C. Do not leave loose ends.</li> <li>D. Cover all edges of dressing.</li> <li>E. Do not cover tips of fingers and toes, unless they are injured.</li> <li>F. Bandage from the bottom of the limb to the top (distal to proximal) if applicable.</li> </ul> |

Multiple wounds will be treated as per procedures listed in patient assessment.

### **FINGER/FINGERS**

Immobilize Fracture

- 1. Tape injured finger to an adjacent uninjured finger; or
- 2. Tape injured finger to a tongue depressor, aluminum splint, or pen and pencil
- 3. Secure with sling and swathe

NOTE:

Slings are required for all wounds of upper extremities, including shoulder and armpit wounds. Slings will not be required for upper extremity burns. However, if a burn and wound and/or fracture/dislocation are present on the same upper extremity, a sling shall be applied.

NOTE: Do not reposition dislocations

## SPLINTING (SOFT) UPPER EXTREMITY FRACTURES AND DISLOCATIONS (WRIST AND HAND)

**PROCEDURES CRITICAL SKILL** \*A. Check for distal circulation, sensation, and motor function 1. CARE FOR FRACTURE B. Do not attempt to reduce dislocations (if applies) A. Support affected limb and limit movement B. Place two cravats (triangular bandage) under wrist/hand 2. IMMOBILIZING C. Place pillow length wise under wrist/hand, on top of cravats (pillow should extend past **FRACTURE** fingertips) D. Lower limb, adjust cravats to tie E. Tie cravats distal to proximal A. Place sling over chest and under arm B. Hold or stabilize arm C. Triangle should extend behind elbow or injured 3. SECURING WITH **SLING** D. Secure excess material at elbow E. Fingertips should be exposed \*F. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor function A. Use triangle cravat or factory swathe 4. SECURING SLING B. Swathe is tied around chest and injured arm WITH SWATHE \*C. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor function

# SPLINTING (RIGID OR SOFT) PELVIC GIRDLE, THIGH, KNEE, AND LOWER LEG

### **PROCEDURES**

### CRITICAL SKILL

| 1. | DETERMINE NEED FOR<br>SPLINTING | 0 | *A. Assess for:     Pain     Swelling     Deformity  B. Determine if splinting is warranted   |
|----|---------------------------------|---|---|
| 2. | APPLY MANUAL<br>STABILIZATION   |   | A. Support affected limb and limit movement  • Do not attempt to reduce dislocations  |
| 3. | SELECT APPROPRIATE<br>SPLINT    |   | A. Select appropriate splinting method depending on position of extremity and materials available     B. Select appropriate padding material  |
| 4. | PREPARE FOR<br>SPLINTING        |   | <ul> <li>A. Remove or cut away clothing as needed</li> <li>*B. Assess distal circulation, sensation, and motor function</li> <li>C. Cover any open wounds with sterile dressing and bandage</li> <li>D. Measure splint</li> <li>E. Pad around splint for patient comfort</li> </ul> |



|             |   | A. Maintain support while splinting                   |
|-------------|---|---|
|             |   | Living Splint:  |
|             |   | A. Immobilize the site of the injury                  |
|             |   | B. Carefully place a pillow or folded blanket         |
|             |   | between the patients knees/legs                       |
|             |   | C. Bind the legs together with wide straps or         |
|             | _ | cravats   |
|             |   | D. Carefully place patient on long spine board        |
|             |   | E. Secure the patient to the long spine board (if     |
|             |   | primary splint)                                       |
|             |   | *F. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor |
|             |   | function  |
|             |   | Padded Board Splint:                                  |
|             |   | A. Splint with two long padded splinting boards       |
|             |   | (one should be long enough to extend from the         |
|             |   | patient's armpit to beyond the foot. The other        |
|             |   | should extend from the groin to beyond the            |
|             |   | foot.) (Lower leg requires boards to extend from      |
| 5. SPLINT   |   | knee to below the foot.)                              |
|             |   | B. Cushion with padding in the armpit and groin       |
|             |   | and all voids created at the ankle and knee           |
|             |   | C. Secure the splinting boards with straps and        |
|             |   | cravats   |
|             |   | D. Carefully place the patient on long spine board    |
|             |   | E. Secure the patient to the long spine board (if     |
|             |   | primary splint)                                       |
|             |   | *F. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor |
|             |   | function  |
|             |   | Other Splints:  |
|             |   | A. Immobilize the site of the injury                  |
|             |   | B. Pad as needed                                      |
|             |   | C. Secure to splint distal to proximal                |
|             |   | D. Carefully place patient on long spine board        |
|             |   | E. Secure the patient to the long spine board (if     |
|             |   | primary splint)                                       |
|             |   | *F. Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor |
|             |   | function  |
| 6. REASSESS |   | *A. Assess patient response and level of comfort      |

**NOTE:** Air splints may not be used with open (protruding bones) fractures.

### TWO-PERSON LOG ROLL

PROCEDURES CRITICAL SKILL

| 1. STABILIZE HEAD        | *A. Stabilize the head and neck   |
|--------------------------|---|
| 2. PREPARING THE PATIENT | <ul> <li>A. When placing patient on board place board parallel to the patient</li> <li>B. Kneel at the patient's shoulders opposite the board (if used) leaving room to roll the patient toward knees</li> <li>Raise the patient's arm, if not injured (the one closer to the rescuer) above the patient's head</li> </ul>  |
| 3. PREPARING THE RESCUER | A. Grasp the patient at the shoulder and pelvis area B. Give instructions to bystander, if used to support  |
| 4. ROLLING THE PATIENT   | <ul> <li>A. While stabilizing the head, roll the patient toward the rescuer by pulling steadily and evenly at the shoulder and pelvis areas</li> <li>B. The head and neck should remain on the same plane as the torso</li> <li>C. Maintain stability by holding patient with one hand and placing board (if used) with other</li> <li>D. Roll the body as a unit onto the board (if used) (board may be slanted or flat)</li> <li>E. Place the arm alongside the body</li> </ul> |



### IMMOBILIZATION - LONG SPINE BOARD (Backboard)

### PROCEDURES

### CRITICAL SKILL

|  |   | A.  | One First Aid Provider at the head must maintain 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   |
| MOVE THE PATIENT     ONTO THE LONG               |   | E.  | Upon command of First Aid Provider at the head, roll patient onto side toward First Aid Providers   |
| SPINE BOARD                                      |   | F.  | Quickly assess posterior body, if not already done  |
|  |   | G.  | 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.  | Select and use appropriate padding  |
| PATIENT AND LONG                                 |   | B.  | Place padding as needed under the head  |
| SPINE BOARD                                      |   | C.  | Place padding as needed under torso   |
| 3. IMMOBILIZE BODY<br>TO THE LONG SPINE<br>BOARD |   | A.  | Strap and secure body to board ensuring spinal immobilization, beginning at shoulder and working toward feet  |
| 4. IMMOBILIZE HEAD                               |   | A.  | Using head set or place rolled towels on each side of head  |
| TO THE LONG SPINE<br>BOARD                       |   | В.  | Tape and/or strap head securely to board, ensuring cervical spine immobilization  |
| 5. REASSESS                                      |   |     | Reassess distal circulation, sensation, and motor function  |
|  |   | *B. | Assess patient response and level of comfort  |
|  |   |     |   |

### **SHOCK**

### PROCEDURES CRITICAL SKILL

| CHECK FOR SIGNS     AND SYMPTOMS OF     SHOCK | *A. Check for pale (or bluish) skin (in victim with dark skin examine inside of mouth and nailbeds for bluish coloration.  *B. Check for cool, clammy skin  *C. Check for weakness  |
|---|---|
| 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> |

Option 1: Elevate the lower extremities or foot end of the back board. This procedure is performed in most cases. Place the patient flat, face up and elevate the legs or foot end of the back board 8 to 12 inches. Do not elevate any limbs with possible fractures or pelvic injuries until they have been properly splinted. Remember to consider the mechanism of injury for every patient.

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