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Subject: Clinical management

## **REQUEST & RESPONSE**

1. In your organisation, are there guidelines for the clinical management of adults with either rib fractures, chest wall trauma or blunt chest wall trauma?

Any trauma with multiple rib fractures is referred to the Trauma unit.

2. Which clinical team(s) are patients with isolated rib fractures, chest wall trauma or blunt chest wall trauma admitted under?

Rib fracture (even those needing chest drains) are admitted under the surgeons.

3. Can you please attach a copy of your most recent guidelines for the clinical management of adults with rib fractures, chest wall trauma or blunt chest wall trauma.

Please see attached.

4. Where more than one team has produced guidelines please provide copies of all the relevant guidelines.

N/A

5. In your organisation, is there a dedicated service/ team providing chest wall nerve blocks for rib fracture patients?

Admitted under the surgeons.