

t-2 TRAUMATIC EMERGENCIES

PRIORITIES:

- Begin CPR
- Airway management/support with spinal immobilization
- Assure an advanced life support response;
- Attempt to transport immediately as soon as EMS transport is available;
- Transport with CPR in progress

Cardiopulmonary Arrest Due to Traumatic Injury

1. Basic CPR;
2. Airway Management/Support with Spinal Immobilization/Precautions;
 - Simplest effective method (basic airway management) with in-line cervical immobilization;
 - Immobilization of the cervical/thoracic/lumbar spine with the body secured to the backboard.
3. Support ventilation with appropriate airway adjuncts and oxygen therapy
4. Initiate transport as soon as possible.