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Re: Patellar Reduction in the Prehospital Setting (PRPS Study)

Date: December 14, 2021

The PRPS Study has concluded its patient enrollment phase on Dec 1st, 2021. The HSN CPC has requested that paramedics currently trained in the trial be permitted to continue with the PRPS Study medical directive as the data is currently being analysed. We can confirm that the Emergency Health Regulatory and Accountability Branch has granted us an extension of the trial until April 18, 2022. By this time, we hope to have the data analysis completed in order to make patellar reduction part of the provincial ALS PCS.

One condition of the extension is that HSN CPC continue to provide quality assurance on 100% of patellar reduction cases. We would therefore request that you continue to notify HSN CPC of any cases where patellar reduction was attempted, successful or not. (See appendix A below)

Thank you for your ongoing involvement in prehospital studies and we will update you with our PRPS findings once available.

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APPENDIX A

Please document the following on the ACR as a minimum requirement:

- 1. Problem Code: Musculoskeletal (This is an approved MoH Code)
- 2. Procedure: Code 933.64 Patellar Reduction; Indicate Successful or Unsuccessful in Results
- 3. Pain Scale: must be documented pre and post reduction
- 4. Neurovascular status: must be documented pre and post reduction
- 5. Post- reduction immobilization: review BLS Standards for direction
- 6. Only 1 Patellar Reduction attempt per patient

We request all attempted Patellar Reductions encountered in the field be <u>self-reported</u> as this will assist the Base Hospital in tracking all cases. Click on the following link to report a Patellar Reduction field encounter https://www.clinicalaudit.ca/SelfReport/SelfReportLogin.aspx

^{**}Note – Only 1 Patellar Reduction should be attempted per patient.