## **Trauma Nursing Process**

## **PREPARATION and TRIAGE** Activate the Trauma Team On Arrival: Prepare the trauma Room Assess for uncontrolled Hemorrhage: **PPE** Consider Reprioritizing to <C> ABC PRIMARY ASSESSMENT AIRWAY / ALERTNESS (AVPU) / C-SPINE: Must assess 4: Vocalization, Tongue obstruction, A Loose teeth, Foreign objects, Vomit / Secretions, Edema, Posture, Drooling, Dysphagia, Abnormal sounds **INTERVENE and REASSESS:** Suction, NPA/OPA, BVM, Definitive Airway? **Breathing:** Must Assess 4:Spontaneous respirations, rate and depth, Symmetrical chest rise, quality of respirations, color, Bony deformities, Work of Breathing, JVD B **VENTILATION:** Breathing is present, is Ventilation adequate? INTERVENE and REASSESS: O2 or BVM - ETT: Confirm tube, secure, and mechanically ventilate Circulation: Must assess all 3: Central pulse, Skin: color, Temp., Condition, Uncontrolled bleeding IV ACCESS: Inspect pre-hospital IV's, Start IV's PRN and state rate of infusing fluid **Disability:** GCS, Pupils. If needed, anticipate Cat Scan E Expose & Environmental Control: Warm fluids, ambient temp, warm blankets, etc RESUSCITATION ADJUNCTS F Full set of VS, Family presence **Get Resuscitative Adjuncts:** L: Labs: Blood Typing, H&H, ABGs M: Cardiac monitoring: Adjust for Pediatric settings G N: Naso vs Orogastric Tube: O: Pulse Oximetry and Capnography: P: PAIN: Pharmacologic and Non Pharmacologic Interventions SECONDARY ASSESSMENT History: MIST: ( Mechanism of Injury, Injuries sustained, Signs and Sx, Treatment ), Pt/Family Generated, H **Head to Toe:** Inspect AND palpate, Auscultate Lung, Heart, and Bowel Sounds Inspect posterior Surfaces: Log roll, Inspect and palpate, State the need to remove the backboard **REEVALUATION ADJUNCTS Identify All Simulated injuries Expected Reevaluation Adjuncts: Must list 3** CT, Xray, Labs, Tetanus, Antibiotics, Consults, Psychosocial, Wound Care, etc..... What will you Reevaluate? VIPP Primary Assessment Pain Vital Signs Identified Injuries and Effectiveness of interventions **Consider the Need for transport**

 $DOPE \!\!=\! Displacement, Obstruction, Pneumothorax, Equipment Failure$ 

FOCA= Fluctuations, Output, Color, Airleak