



REPORT TYPE: Chronologic Timeline with Comments
Case: Child Head Injury
SAMPLE

DATE/TIME	EVENT/SOURCE	COMMENTS																						
11/10/0000 1410	<p>Emergency Center Nursing Assessment (ENA) & Progress Record (p.10)</p> <p>Transport In: Carried</p> <p>Triage nurse: D.S., RN</p> <p>Vital signs:</p> <p>Temp: 98.5</p> <p>P: 100</p> <p>R: 20</p> <p>B/P 135/70</p>	<p>This is a case about the failure to respond timely and appropriately to an emergent or urgent condition in a 9-year- old child (JR) who sustained a head injury. Said failure resulted in significant neurological deficits.</p> <p>It will be important to establish:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">the exact time this initial assessment was done.the specific involvement of both J.L., LVN and D.S., RN in caring for JR.																						
	<p>Chief complaint: While playing baseball he was struck on the [left] side of head near the ear. He has had 3-4 large bouts of emesis with c/o neck pain.</p> <table><tr><td>Pertinent Med-Surg Hx</td><td>Febrile convulsions at young age</td></tr><tr><td>Allergies</td><td>NKA</td></tr><tr><td>Medications</td><td>None</td></tr><tr><td>Last tetanus</td><td>Current</td></tr><tr><td>LMP</td><td>N/A</td></tr><tr><td>Height</td><td>4'7</td></tr><tr><td>Weight</td><td>85 lbs</td></tr><tr><td>Primary Care Provider</td><td>Dr. G Time called: n/a</td></tr><tr><td>Pt. Request:</td><td><input type="checkbox"/> Private MD <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>Emergency Ctr MD</td></tr><tr><td>Consulting MDs</td><td>BF and JZ</td></tr><tr><td>Nurse_JL LVN__</td><td>Time Seen_1430_____</td></tr></table>	Pertinent Med-Surg Hx	Febrile convulsions at young age	Allergies	NKA	Medications	None	Last tetanus	Current	LMP	N/A	Height	4'7	Weight	85 lbs	Primary Care Provider	Dr. G Time called: n/a	Pt. Request:	<input type="checkbox"/> Private MD <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergency Ctr MD	Consulting MDs	BF and JZ	Nurse_JL LVN__	Time Seen_1430_____	<p>It will also be important to establish who documented entries in the record. The application of my comments depends on the provider's specific level of involvement. It is my position that this patient & his presentation required care beyond that which could be provided by an LVN.</p> <p>The nurses failed to treat JR as a trauma patient and specifically failed to provide Level II capabilities.</p> <p>I recommend that you consider the nurses individually. See ENA Trauma Care policy p. 1-3 which states:</p> <p>“The optimal care of the trauma patient is best accomplished within a framework in which all members of the trauma teams use a systematic, standardized approach to the care of the injured patient.”</p>
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