## Nasal Injury Referral Pathway



Patient presents with nasal injury



Assessment including full history and examination – exclude red flags (see below)



Give patient a 'Nasal Injury Patient Information Leaflet' if an uncomplicated nasal injury

(available on LNWH trust website and intranet)

- The patient to arrange Tuesday PM ENT Nasal Injury clinic should they wish to be considered for MUA Fractured Nasal Bones (instructions on patient information leaflet)
- Emphasise to the patient that they are responsible for arranging follow-up Nasal Injury Clinic in the TIME PERIOD SET OUT IN THE PATIENT INFORMAITON LEAFLET
- No need to contact oncall ENT SHO bleep 205 for uncomplicated nasal injury to arrange Nasal Injury Clinic unless advice required



Give the patient a discharge summary (UCC assessment, A&E outcome, etc.) including relevant information (history including date and mechanism of injury, absence of any red flags, PMHx, etc.)

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Advise the patient to bring the discharge summary to ENT clinic

## Red flags:

Persistent epistaxis

→ discuss with oncall ENT SHO

Septal haematoma

→ discuss with oncall ENT SHO

Signs of basal skull fracture

→ CT head and discussion with neurosurgery

Head injury

→ as per NICE head injury guidelines

Multiple facial fractures

→ discuss with OMFS and ENT

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