

CERVICAL SPINE IMMOBILISATION FOR INTUBATED PATIENTS IN PICU - CHW

PROCEDURE [®]

DOCUMENT SUMMARY/KEY POINTS

- This document is to be used as an extension to the SCHN [Cervical Spine \(suspected\) Injury \(Paediatric\): Patient Management](#) Practice Guideline
- This algorithm is applicable to intubated patients in PICU at CHW and has been developed in consultation with the CHW Trauma, Spinal, Radiology and PICU teams

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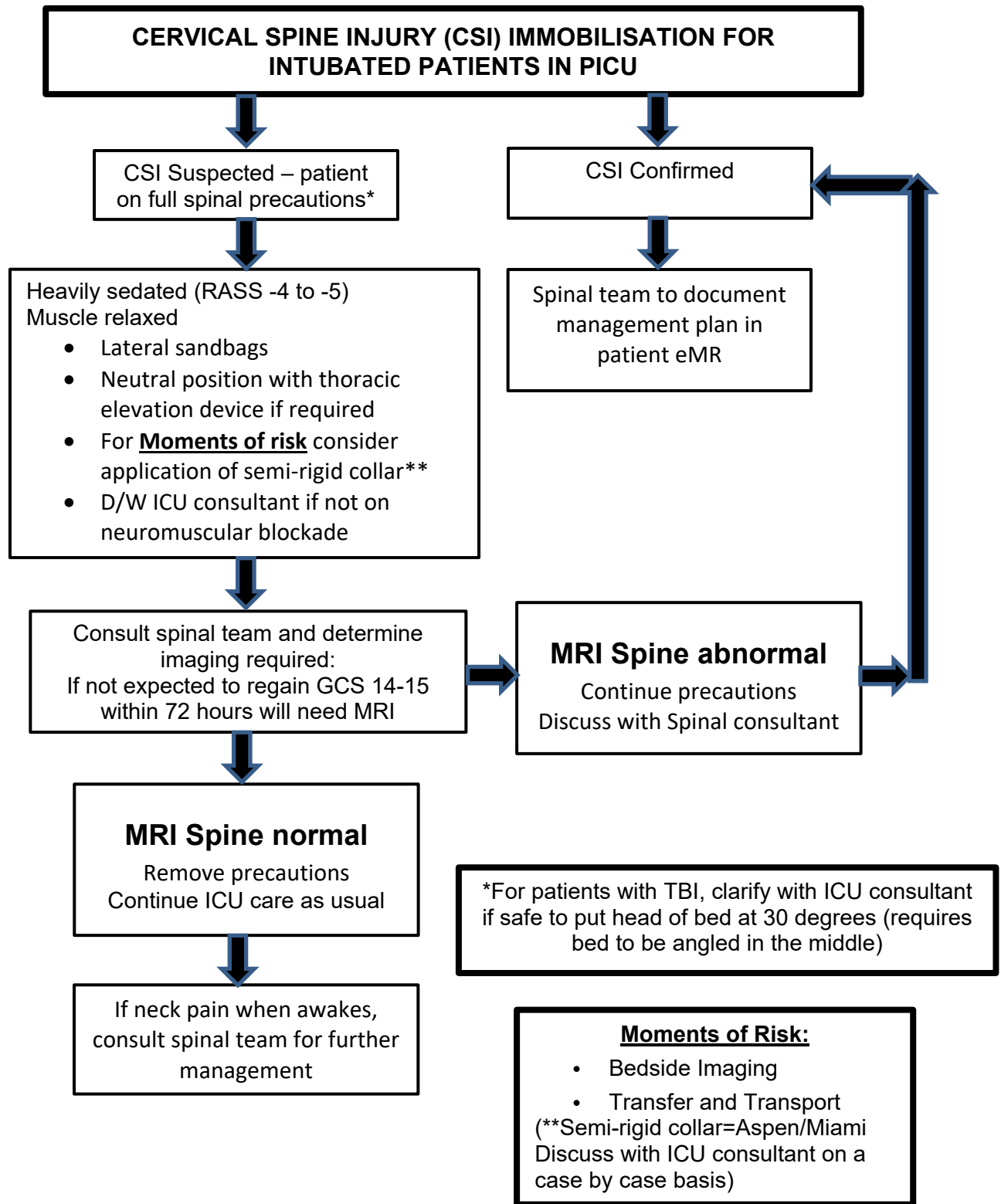
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- All PICU nursing and medical staff

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