

Spinal Injury Pathway

Adult and Paediatric




Polytrauma with spinal injury
OR
Spinal Cord Injury



Time Critical Transfer

Request **Time Critical Transfer** from ambulance service.

Inform St Georges Hospital:
ED Trauma Consultant 020 8672 1255 Bleep 8021
Or Majors Desk: 020 8725 1222

 10 minute pre-alert to ED

Spinal trauma without neurology



Dislocation
OR
Unable to manage locally




Local TU Orthopaedic team to
treat definitively





Discuss with MTC and transfer if required

St George's Hospital:
09.00–17.00: Spinal Nurse Practitioner 020 8672 1255—Bleep 8090
Please consider discussing cases early with the spinal nurse practitioner
Out of Hours: Neurosurgical Registrar 020 8672 1255—Bleep 7242

All referrals to go through www.referapatient.org
The use of refer a patient does NOT replace direct contact with neurosurgeons for acute referrals

 Minimal imaging required.
DO NOT delay transfer

 Transfer using full spinal precautions with
vacuum mattress where available

 High dose steroids are not indicated