MEMO

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To:  Trauma Multidisciplinary Committee Members

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        Chairman, Trauma Multidisciplinary Committee

The Trauma Multidisciplinary Review committee met Tuesday, July 26, 2016 for our monthly review. Please find the following teaching points and synopsis of the discussion. Please share this information with physicians from your Department who participate on the Trauma Call schedule.

- Iliac vein injury from blunt trauma - This is a rare injury and finding on CT scan after blunt trauma. This is usually associated with significant blunt force and maybe present in the absence on an arterial contrast blush. If there’s considerable hypotension and a hematoma in the iliac vein region, this diagnosis should be considered. An article has been posted to the IEP website for your review.
- ER documentation- It is important that the trauma physicians verbalize the GCS score in the trauma bay. This will allow the scribe to record the appropriate score on the trauma flow sheet. It’s important that the physician completing the H&P and the scribe completing the trauma flow sheet have the exact same GCS score.