

EYE INJURIES

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- ❑ General Trauma Assessment & Interventions.
- ❑ Oxygen as required to maintain SpO₂ >94%
- ❑ Initiate spinal precautions as indicated by Spinal Immobilization Procedure
- ❑ Evaluate “impaled” objects – secure those appearing to have penetrated the globe of the eye and also cover the unaffected eye.
- ❑ May irrigate superficial contaminants from the eyes using water and/or normal saline/drip set
 - Positively identify contaminants prior to irrigation and confirm treatment via MSDS/Product label or other appropriate source. If unsure, contact OLMC.
- ❑ Treat soft tissue injuries as per soft tissue injury guideline
- ❑ Remove contact lenses – if applicable and able to do so safely.

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- ❑ Initiate vascular access via peripheral **IV**
- ❑ If unable to place peripheral IV may initiate pediatric **IO** placement
- ❑ **Fluids administration** to maintain systolic BP of 90mmHg to a maximum of 2 Liters.
- ❑ May consider pain management if indicated per pain management guideline.

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- ❑ If unable to place peripheral IV may initiate adult **IO** placement

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- ❑ Consider **Tetracaine** Hydrochloride 1-2 drops in eye as needed for anesthesia
- ❑ **Morgan lens** as indicated – Morgan Lens procedure
- ❑ Consider **Midazolam** 2-5mg IV/IO/IN/IM for sedation and/or in addition to pain management.

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