

CECOM Head Laceration 001

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P: I'm bleeding. I'm bleeding.

D: [runs up to P] What happened?

P: I was inflating a tire and the metal ring popped off the tire and hit me in the head.

D: [Leads patient to stretcher] Do you know when this happened to you?

P: I don't know.

D: Did you black out at anytime that you know of ?

P: I don't think so.

D: Do you feel light-headed, dizzy, nauseated?

P: I feel a little dizzy.

D: Do you have any blurred vision? Are you seeing spots?

P: No.

D: I'm going to need to examine your eyes. Are you sensitive to the light?

P: No.

D: Let me take a look at your head.

P: [no response]

D: I'm going to need you to lay down and I want you to put pressure on your scalp.

[Patient lays down]

D: I'm going to need to get your blood pressure.

[Patient holds out arm]

D: Are you feeling all right? If you feel nauseated and need to vomit, let me know.

P: I'm just feeling a little light-headed.

D: Sit back up.

[Patient sits up]

D: Remove your hand from your scalp. I need to take a look at your laceration.

[D lifts up flap of scalp and blood squirts on medic next to him]

P: Oh shit.

[Medic reapplied pressure to P's scalp]

D: I have to shave your head around the laceration to get a better look at it.

P: Not my hair.

[get razor and shave P's head].

D: I need you to lay back down. I need to clean the laceration.

[P lays down]

[D cleans laceration]

D: Are you feeling all right?

P: I'm feeling okay.

D: It looks like you're going to need stitches.

P: Is it gonna hurt bad?

D: We are going to numb your head area with some madicane.

P: Okay.

D: You're going to feel a sharp pain and a burning sensation.

[D administers lidocaine]

[D waits 5 minutes]

D: How you feeling?

P: I'm feeling better.

D: I'm going to prick your scalp and I want you to tell me if you feel a sharp pain.

P: No sharp pain.

D: I'm going to have to lift your scalp and do some suturing. These sutures will dissolve in about 7 days.

[D sutures scalp]

D: I need to clean your wound again before I suture the outside.

P: Okay.

D: Are you doing okay?

P: Yes.