

EMERGENCY SEVERITY INDEX

Below is a list of high acuity injuries that warrant seeking immediate medical treatment without first calling the triage nurse:

- amputation of any extremity;
- active bleeding, that is, bleeding that has not stopped after 10 minutes of pressure and ice;
- head trauma (with or without loss of consciousness);
- shortness of breath caused by anaphylactic reaction to a bee sting or other allergen;
- laceration that exposes tendons; and
- any injury that results in a decrease in the level of consciousness.