

without CP) and B2 (after implementation with CP). All five groups were controlled for triage level and sex. **Results:** In total, 1086 patients were included; 543 before implementation (Mar. 2011 – Feb. 2016) and 543 after (Feb. 2016 – Jun. 2019), of whom 14% (N = 77) were treated by CP. The average ED LOS was similar (10.36h vs 10.65h; (p = 0,31)) in group A and in group B. In groups A1, B1 and B2, the median ED LOS were respectively 6.00, 6.84, 4.80; these differences were not statistically significant. The average time-to-treatment for beta-agonist in A1, B1 and B2 was respectively 148, 180 and 50 mins; the differences between B2 and A1 and between B2 and B1 were both statistically significant (p < 0,05). **Conclusion:** Although this study indicates a low compliance to the CP, it shows that time-to-treatment can be reduced. It didn't demonstrate any statistically significant decrease in ED LOS, most likely due to low number of patients and non-normal distribution, but the 1.2h shorter could be a major advantage if it proves true. Further studies are essential to understand facilitators and alleviate the barriers in anticipation of a multi-centric implementation.

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Accuracy of the trauma triage protocol Échelle québécoise de triage préhospitalier en traumatologie (EQTPT) in selecting patients requiring specialized trauma care

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Introduction: This study aims to evaluate the accuracy of the Échelle québécoise de triage préhospitalier en traumatologie (EQTPT) to identify patients who will need urgent and specialized trauma care in the La Capitale-Nationale region, province of Quebec. **Methods:** A detailed review of prehospital and in-hospital medical charts was conducted for a sample of patients transported following a trauma by ambulance to one of the five CHU de Quebec's emergency departments (ED) between November 2016 and March 2017. Data related to the trauma mechanism, population, injuries sustained, diagnosis, intervention and patient outcomes were extracted. The study primary outcome was the use of at least one urgent and specialized trauma care defined as: admission to the intensive care unit (ICU), urgent surgery within less than 24 hours after arrival (excluding orthopedic surgery for one limb only), intubation in ED, angioembolization within 24 hours after ED arrival, activation of a massive transfusion protocol in the ED. Also, patients who died secondary to their trauma were also considered as requiring urgent care. **Results:** 902 patients were included. The mean age (SD) was 59 (28.5) years old, 494 (54.8%) were female. The main trauma mechanisms were falls (592 (65.6%)) followed by motor vehicle accident (201 (22%)). 367 (40.7%) patients were transported directly to the tertiary trauma centre from the field. 231 (25.6%) patients had at least one criteria included in the steps 1, 2 or 3 of the EQTPT. Subsequently, most patients (649 (71.9%)) were discharged home from the ED while 177 (19.6%) patients were admitted to the hospital. 82 (9.1%) patients required urgent and specialized trauma care. Of these 82 patients, 27 patients (32%) were identified in step 1 of the protocol, 12 patients (14.6%) in step 2, 5 patients (6.1%) in step 3, 13 patients (15.9%) in step 4 and 2 patients (2.4%) in step 5 while 23 (28.0%) patients were not identified by any steps of the EQTPT protocol. Therefore, 44 (53.6%) of the patients requiring urgent and specialized trauma care were identified by the criteria proposed in the steps 1, 2 or 3. **Conclusion:** In this

retrospective cohort study, the EQTPT was insensitive to identify trauma patients who will need prompt and complex trauma management. Studies are required to determine the factors that could help improve its accuracy.

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Characteristics of older adults attending the emergency department for suicidal thoughts or voluntary intoxication: a multicenter retrospective cohort study

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Introduction: Suicidal thoughts and self-harm are disproportionately prevalent among older adults but are frequently overlooked by emergency physicians. Objective: This study aims to explore the characteristics of older adults visiting the ED for suicidal thoughts or voluntary intoxications. **Methods:** All older adults (≥ 65 years old) who visited one of the five CHU de Quebec' EDs in 2016 were eligible. The medical charts of patients who reported suicidal thoughts or intoxication in triage or received a relevant discharge diagnosis were reviewed. Involuntary intoxications were excluded. Descriptive statistics were used to present the results. **Results:** Results: A total of 478 ED visits were identified, of which 332 ED visits (n=279 patients) were included. The mean age of the ED cohort was 72.6 (standard deviation 6.8) years old and 41.6% were female. Mood disorders (41.2%) and alcoholism (40.5%) were common. Most included patients had a diagnosis of voluntary intoxication (73.2%), including two suicides (0.6%). Following 109 ED visits (30.0%), patients were referred for a mental health assessment. Half of all ED visits resulted in a discharge by the emergency physician (50.0%), while 27.4% were admitted for in-patient care. In the subsequent year (2017), 38.4% returned to the ED for suicidal ideations or self-harm of which 7.9% attended the ED ≥ 5 times. **Conclusion:** ED visits for suicidal thoughts and voluntary intoxication in older adults are more common among men with known mood disorders or alcoholism. Referral for a mental health assessment is inconsistent. ED-initiated interventions designed for this population are needed.

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Bridging the gap: Using a tele-resuscitation network to improve pediatric outcomes in a community hospital setting

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Background: Telemedicine has been defined as the use of technology to provide healthcare when the provider and patient are geographically separated. Use of telemedicine to meet the needs of specific populations has become increasingly common across Canada. The current study employs the Ontario Telemedicine Network (OTN) to connect the emergency departments of a community hospital system and a pediatric tertiary care hospital. OTN functions through a two-way video conferencing system, allowing physicians at the tertiary site to see and hear the patient being treated in the community hospitals. **Aim Statement:** The aim of this project is to ensure essential care is provided to CTAS 1 and 2 pediatric patients who present to Niagara Health emergency departments, to increase the number of appropriate patient transfers. **Measures & Design:** Data for this project include a) description of common diagnoses, b) time of call, c)