

### ESI Triage Activity

Using the ESI Triage Algorithm, complete the following scenarios and assign a triage level (#) to each of your clients. Remember, these patients are presenting to the hospital where you have plenty of resources (unlike disasters). After you have assigned each client a triage level, place them in the order you believe they should be seen.

ORDER =

1. 27-year-old female presents with complaints of right lower quadrant pain. She states this began roughly 3 hours ago and has progressively worsened. She denies radiation of pain to any other location. Her VS are as follows: BP- 130/78, HR- 102, RR- 20, SpO2- 99% on RA, Temp- 38.2. <sup>↑ FEVER</sup>

ESI Triage Level: 3

THIRD

2. 50-year-old male presents for evaluation of a laceration on his left lower leg. He reports he has been working in his garden and caught his calf on a tiller. Bleeding is controlled. Pedal pulse is present in affected extremity. His VS are as follows: BP 118/75, HR- 88, RR- 18, SpO2- 98% on RA, Temp- 37.2.

ESI Triage Level: 4

FOURTH

3. 89-year-old female presents via EMS with CPR in progress. Patient was found unresponsive in her apartment by a caregiver. CPR was started on scene and continued en route. Paramedics report they have not gotten a pulse back at this time.

ESI Triage Level: 1

FIRST

4. 65-year-old female presents with complaints of acute onset chest pain. She reports the pain radiates from her epigastric region into her left chest and jaw. She is diaphoretic, anxious, and requests an emesis bag. She tells you she has a history of CAD and her last heart cath was 2 years ago with 1 stent placed at that time. Her VS are as follows: BP <sup>↑</sup>160/90, HR- 115, RR- 22, SpO2- 96% on RA, Temp- 37.5.

ESI Triage Level: 2

SECOND

5. A 5-year-old is brought to the ED by her parents for evaluation of a suspicious rash. The client's mother states that she developed the rash a couple of days ago and it has progressively worsened since that time. Parents deny any new medications for the pediatric client. When you ask about new bath products the client's Mother tells you her daughter requested Elmo bubble bath that she saw on a television commercial. Her parents surprised her with it and she has used it at bath time for the past 3 nights. Her VS are as follows: BP 100/60, HR- 100, RR- 24, SpO2- 100% on RA, Temp- 37.0.

ESI Triage Level: 5

FIFTH

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