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Forearm Injuries

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Fracture of shafts of radius and ulna

Undisplaced - Long arm POP. Check x-ray in POP. Refer to Ortho On-call.

Displaced-Seek senior advice. Refer Ortho On-call

Isolated fracture of midshaft of either radius or ulna

(NB exclude dislocation of proximal or distal radio-ulnar joint)

Undisplaced- Long arm POP, check x-ray, Broad arm sling. Refer VFC.

Displaced - Refer Ortho On-call.

Fracture shaft of one bone with dislocation proximal or distal radio-ulnar joint

(Monteggia and Galeazzi Fractures) - Assess neurovascular status. Refer Ortho On-call

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