



Foundations Frameworks

Approach to Pelvic Trauma

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Trauma/Suspected Pelvic Fracture

Portable AP Pelvis X Ray

+ Fracture

Place binder **only** to close an open pelvis

***** Patients who remain unstable despite resuscitation may have active arterial bleeding *****

Beware of...

- open book
- vertical shear
- posterior element disruption
 - > high propensity for vascular damage
 - >Foley placement with caution for urethral injury

Hemodynamically Unstable

- Volume Resus with Trauma Blood, consider TXA/AC reversal
- **IR** if isolated pelvic bleed
- **OR** if other operative (intraabdominal) injuries

IR Indications:
concern for pelvic bleed with no peritonitis, negative FAST, no laparotomy indications

OR Indications:
+Peritonitis, + FAST, other operative abdominal injuries

Hemodynamically Stable

- CT scan to assess for extravasation and other injuries

***depends on IR availability, must call IR early to set up!**