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1. Basic BLS treatments
2. Refer to HCFR SPINAL MOTION RESTRICTION protocol and apply as indicated.
3. Evaluate for trauma alert criteria
4. **Oxygen** administration to any patient who is complaining of chest pain with dyspnea
 - a. If the patient presents with pale, cool, diaphoretic, or otherwise abnormal skin condition, consider high flow O₂ via NRB.
5. Stabilize any flail segments and seal any open wounds.
6. ALS evaluation and transport criteria:
 - a. Any patient meeting trauma alert criteria is ALS
 - b. Any patient with a significant mechanism of injury and associated chest trauma is ALS
 - c. Any patient that it is unclear as to whether the chest pain is of traumatic origin or not is ALS