# PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY MEDICINE EVIDENCE-BASED PATHWAY

# **HEAD TRAUMA**

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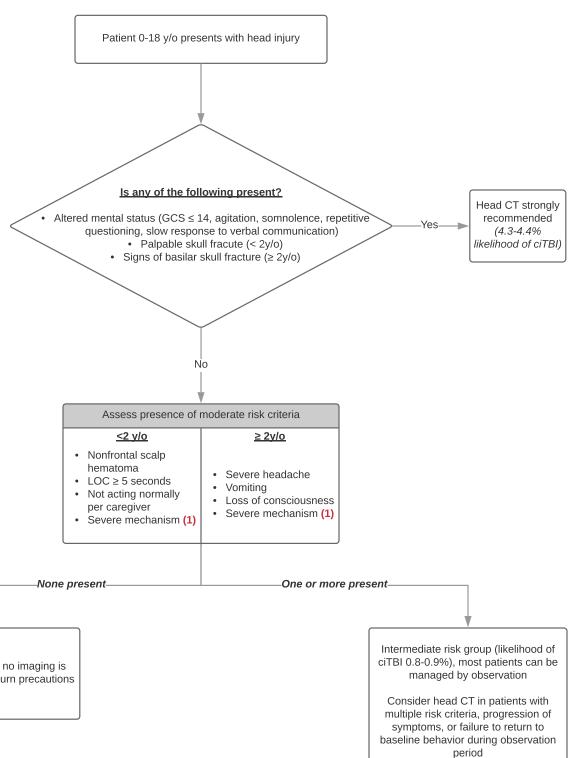
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# **Exclusion Criteria:**

- · Penetrating head trauma
- · History of brain tumor
- · History of neurologic disorder
- · Bleeding disorder
- VP shunt

# 1 Severe mechanism:

- Motor vehicle accident with ejection, rollover, or death of another passenger
- Motor vehicle vs. pedestrian or bicyclist without helmet
- Head injury by high-impact object
- Fall greater than 3ft (>5ft in children ≥ 2y/o)



Low likelihood of ciTBI (<0.02-0.05%), no imaging is recommended. Discharge home with return precautions

**Disclaimer:** This algorithm functions as a guideline for clinical care under the direction of pediatric emergency medicine attendings.

GCS: Glasgow Coma Score