



## **Chest Injury Pathway - Analgesia**

## **Simple Analgesia**

Consider hydration, laxatives, and prevention of delirium in vulnerable groups

## **Opiates**

With regular simple analgesia

**PO/IV/IM/SC routes** 

Consider hydration, laxatives, and prevention of delirium in vulnerable groups.

**Patient Controlled Analgesia (PCA)** 

With regular simple analgesia

Consider hydration, laxatives, and prevention of delirium in vulnerable groups.

Intercostal/Serratus Anterior blocks\*

**Consider environment – Critical Care review.** 

Paravertebral/Epidural blocks\*

**Consider environment – Critical Care review.** 

\*Refer to local policy

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Non-invasive analgesia

Invasive analgesia options

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