

PELVIC BINDER APPLICATION PROCEDURE

ALWAYS USE STANDARD PRECAUTIONS

INDICATION

- High risk mechanism of injury (e.g. falls, crush, MVA/MVC, auto vs ped) AND one of the following:
 - Pelvic instability noted on physical assessment
 - Lower back, hip, or groin pain
- The intention of application is to reduce potential life-threatening bleeding and provide stability for a suspected pelvic fracture.

CONTRAINDICATION

- Pediatric patients

EQUIPMENT

- Commercial pelvic binder (e.g. SAM Pelvic Sling II)

PROCEDURE

- Commercial pelvic binder: slide under the supine patient and apply according to manufacturer's recommendations

DOCUMENTATION- ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS

- Date and time pelvic binder application applied
- Assessment findings including vital signs