

South Infirmary-Victoria University Hospital

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OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY/HEAD & NECK (ENT)

Nasal Bone Fractures

Patients with deviated nasal bone fractures should be referred to an ENT service

within 10–14 days of the injury (please state date of injury on referral)

Please contact the ENT casualty department during daytime (9am- 5pm) on 021 49261000

In addition, please note:

- **Septal haematoma** should be excluded; if present, contact ENT casualty during daytime (9am- 5pm) to arrange urgent patient review
- Most nasal fractures do not require an X-Ray
- If the nasal bones are midline but a cartilaginous septal deformity exists, these injuries are non-reducible acutely. If there is persisting nasal obstruction and no cosmetic issues after one month, patients can be referred to ENT outpatient services for consideration of elective septoplasty
- For all cosmetic issues, please refer to Plastic Surgery Service