

SCAN EMS Case Scenario

Characters:

- Dispatcher (played by EMT Instructor)
- Bruce – EMT
- Tori – EMT
- Mr. Luke Johnson – father
- Mrs. Beverly Johnson – mother
- Emily – age 1 (use doll)
- Dog – (use stuffed animal)

Dispatcher: We have a report of a 26 year old female sustaining an ankle injury after falling down stairs. The woman's husband called 911 and will meet medics at the scene. Respond to 727 Sherwood Road in Parkside.

(Bruce and Tori are en-route)

Bruce: Okay, let's head out. I know that area.

Tori: I know that address – been out there before for similar "accidents." That guy is a piece of work!

(EMS arrives at Johnson residence. Mr. Johnson meets them at the door. As he opens the door, a dog inside the home starts barking and comes to the door. Mr. Johnson kicks the dog.)

Mr. Johnson: Get out of here you worthless mutt! (Mr. Johnson faces the EMT's) Hey, glad you guys got here so quick. My old lady fell down the steps and has a messed up ankle. She's one clumsy broad. (Mr. Johnson yells over his shoulder) Hey, Bev, the ambulance is here.

(Mr. Johnson escorts EMT's to living room where Mrs. Johnson is seated on a chair, holding her one-year-old daughter. Mrs. Johnson has her right leg propped on a table; her ankle is swollen. She also has a black eye and several bruises on her upper arms. There are several empty beer bottles on an end table and Mr. Johnson smells of alcohol.)

Bruce: So, what happened here, ma'am?

(Mrs. Johnson looks over at her husband before speaking.)

Mrs. Johnson: Um, I was coming down the steps holding my daughter and I lost my balance and tripped over the dog. I landed sideways on my ankle. It's pretty swollen and it hurts.

Tori: Looks like your face and arms took some of the impact, too. You say you were holding your daughter when you fell?

Mrs. Johnson: Yeah, but I held on to her real close and she didn't even cry. She's not walking yet – kind of a late bloomer for a one-year old, I guess – so I have to carry her a lot.

Tori: Is it okay if we do a quick check on her as well?

Mrs. Johnson: Um, Emily's fine.

Bruce: It looks like she may have a bruise on her cheek. How about if we check her out and make sure everything is ok.

Mr. Johnson: Come on, people. The kid's fine. My wife's ankle is the problem. Can we get a move on here?

Bruce: Mrs. Johnson, let's get you over to the hospital so you can get an x-ray of that ankle.

Tori: And Emily can ride along with us so she won't be scared. Mr. Johnson, will you meet your wife at the hospital?

Mr. Johnson: Bev – call your mother to come get you and bring you home. I have things to do.