

INTOXICATION

Characters: patient, Emergency operator, UA operator, EMS team, doctor, 2 nurses

Speaking characters: operators, doctor, patient.

Situation: The EMS team is transferring a patient to the Urgent Admissions department.

OPERATOR: HEALTH RESCUE SERVICE-O HRS: Dobrý den, Zdravotnická
záchranná služba Jihomoravského kraje.

OPERATOR: URGENT ADMISSION-O UA: Dobrý den.

O HRS: Máme pro Vás pacienta, je to muž asi 30 let, nalezen v bezvědomí po pádu z asi 6m , nelze vyloučit suicidium, ebrieta.

O UA: V jakém je nyní stavu?

O HRS: Pacient je spontánně ventilující, nyní Glasgow Coma Scale 10, oběhově stabilní, ve vakuové matraci s krčním límcem.

O UA: Je zachována hybnost končetin?

O HRS: Ano

O UA: Bude to letecký nebo pozemní transport?

O HRS: Po zemi.

O UA: OK, kdy dojedete?

O HRS: Tak za 10min

O UA: Budeme na vás čekat.

Transferring the patient to the UA department, without dialogue, speeded up footage

Situation: the patient is being examined by the UA team, he comes around. He is confused and communicates with delayed responses.

DOCTOR-D: Hello, you are in the Urgent Admissions Unit at the Faculty Hospital in Brno. I'm Dr.Vyas and today I'll be treating you.

D: Do you remember anything that happened?

MAN-M: No. I have no idea.

D: OK. What is your name, please?

M: Paul.

D: And your surname?

M: Gatlin.

D: Do you remember your date of birth?

M: 1980, that's all I know.

D: OK. Are you being treated for anything? Or are you allergic to anything?

M: I don't know.

D: OK. I'm just gonna check your breathing. ..Can you breathe OK?

M: Yes, ok, without a problem.

NURSE-N: We're checking your blood pressure, saturation levels and running an ECG just to monitor your heart rate.

D: Do you have any pain?

M: No, I feel like vomiting and I have a headache.

D: OK. I'm going to examine you now. I'm just going to shine a light into your eye, ok?. Does that hurt?

The doctor examines the patient while asking questions.

M: No.

N: I'm just going to take a blood sample to run some tests.

D: Have you drunk any alcohol today?

M: About 5 beers.

D: OK, and are you allergic to anything?

M: No.

D: Are you being treated for anything?

M: No, I am healthy; but I take...sometimes I take pills for my mental problems.

D: OK and are you receiving any psychiatric care?

M: Something like that.

D: Did you take any medication?

M: I took some lexaurin.

D: And how many tablets did you take?

M: I don't know, about 30 or more.

D: OK, how many tablets did you exactly take?

M: I was just hoping to end my life.

D: Oh, and when did you take them?

M: Just before I jumped.

D: So less than an hour ago? OK.

D: Did you want to commit suicide?

M: Yes, I can't take it any more.

D: We're going to use an ultrasound to make sure that your stomach has no internal bleeding. I'm going to apply some gel onto your stomach; it may feel cold.

D: You had a fall which means you may have some severe injuries. It seems that the ultrasound is a bit inconclusive so we're going to have to do a CT scan.

M: Yeh. Will it hurt?

D: No, it is just an X-ray.

M: I don't want this on my neck.

D: You need to keep the collar on it until we've established that you have no spinal injury.

CT Scan

D: So the test results show that you have no serious injuries.

D: We're going to have to make you empty your stomach. OK? We need to prevent the tablets you took from entering your bloodstream. It's not pleasant, but it is necessary. OK?

D: There are two methods; we can either pump your stomach using this tube or you can drink this salty water. But either way, we're going to have to make you vomit.

M: No, I don't want anything, I just want to die.

D: And then we will need to make you take some carbon tablets also.

D: OK? We're going to transfer you to the hospital ward and you will stay here in hospital.