## C-Spine Clearance Practice Guideline After BLUNT Injury 2012 Does the patient have ALL of the following: 1. Not intoxicated/inebriated 2. No distracting Injury 3. C-spine is not tender on examination 4. GCS 15 5. No neurologic deficits 6. Hemodynamically normal (not in shock) Yes\* No \*Consider Pt's age and mechanism of injury when clinically clearing the c-spine CT c-spine CT scan positive for injury CT scan negative for injury Take off c-collar and clear c-spine Keep in c-collar, Is the patient intoxicated? OR Consult spine Is the GCS <15? service Yes No Keep in c-collar until Is the c-spine tender? sober and GCS 15. MRI c-spine if GCS persistently < 15 Yes No Keep in c-collar and obtain flexion / extension films or MRI MRI or flex/ext positive Babak Sarani, MD March 24, 2012