# 11.05 SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES BLAST INJURY

## BLS Treatment

- Position of comfort.
- NPO
- Assess circulation, airway, breathing, and responsiveness.
- Oxygen as indicated.
- Provide **Spinal Motion Restriction** as indicated or position of comfort as indicated.
- Appropriately splint suspected fractures/instability as indicated.
- Bandage wounds/control bleeding as indicated.

## ALS Treatment

- Advanced airway as indicated.
- Perform needle decompression of chest if signs/symptoms of tension pneumothorax are present.
- For pain: may administer **Morphine**.

## Comments

- Do NOT apply hemostatic dressings to mucous membrane surfaces.
- Patients presenting with tympanic membrane damage may have concomitant traumatic brain injury and must have frequent neurologic reassessment.