

Knee Injury

Candidate's information

A 40 yo man presents with pain in their right knee after a fall. He was playing basketball, and has knee pain after landing awkwardly. He/she is normally fit and well with no significant past medical history and no medications. There are no other injuries.

Xrays were performed by the triage nurse prior to your assessment

You will be assessed on your ability to take a history and examine the patient's knee and interpret the xrays. You will also be assessed on your professionalism and communication with the patient.

You have 7 minutes to complete the task.

Domains assessed;

Medical expertise

Communication

Professionalism

Actor information

You are a 45 yo man who has pain in your right knee after a fall. You were playing basketball and landed awkwardly. You had no dizziness, headache, chest pain or other symptoms preceding the fall. You are normally fit and well with no significant past medical history and on no medications. You have no other injuries

You feel that when you landed, your right knee was fully extended. You felt immediate pain when you landed and then fell to the ground. You have not been able to weight bear since the incident and have no neurological symptoms.

You initially presented to your LMO who sent you to the ED for an xray.

Some questions to ask (if not addresses by the candidate)

“What is causing my pain?”

“What do the xrays show?”

“Do I need to see a physio?”

“Do I need any other tests?”

“Can I drive and go back to work?”

Domain	Criteria for High Rating
<p>Medical Expertise</p>	<p>Brief but focused history</p> <p>Thorough general inspection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Palpation - Assess passive and active movements - Assess ligaments with regard to patients pain <p>Appropriate discussion with patient of findings consistent with tibial plateau fracture</p> <p>Will require CT to confirm</p> <p>Will require Ortho input +/- surgery</p>
<p>Communication</p>	<p>Introduction and explanation to patient</p> <p>Ensure asks patient if any pain/discomfort</p> <p>Verbal clarity, conciseness, specificity – ability for patient to follow directions</p> <p>Explanation of findings to patient, further investigation and management</p>
<p>Professionalism</p>	<p>Professional appearance, demeanor and conduct</p> <p>Empathic interaction with patient.</p>

Examiner's assessment

Candidate Name:

A. Component Assessment

Select ONE option that best represents the candidate's performance in this OSCE. Use the 9-point graded scale, where 1 is poorest and 9 is best. TICK ONE CELL for each row below.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Medical Expertise									
Communication									
Professionalism									

B. Station Difficulty (please circle): Low Moderate High

C. Examiner Notes on Candidate Performance

Positives

Areas for Improvement

Suggestions

D. Global Rating for Standard Setting (please circle)

Clear Fail

Marginal Fail

Borderline

Marginal Pass

Clear Pas



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