



## Assess and manage patients presenting with an acute scrotum

### Description

The trainee can assess patients presenting with acute scrotum; making accurate diagnosis and expediting appropriate care. They are able to sensitively communicate the need for emergency treatment to both patients and family; including the possibility and future consequences of orchidectomy. They will advocate for and undertake timely surgical intervention, including the planning and implementation of appropriate follow-up.

<b>EPA Code</b>	EPA 2	<b>Clinical Urology Topic Area</b>	Andrology
<b>Stage of Training</b>	Basic	<b>Prerequisite EPAs</b>	None
<b>Required Competencies</b>			
<p>Demonstrate knowledge of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the process of normal testicular descent</li> <li>aetiology and pathogenesis of acute scrotal pain</li> </ul> <p>Assess patients presenting with acute scrotum; making accurate diagnosis and expediting appropriate care.</p> <p>Manage patients presenting with acute scrotal pain.</p> <p>Anticipate patients' reactions and facilitate discussion with patients and family to manage anxiety.</p> <p>Sensitively discuss differential diagnosis with patients and family, ensuring understanding of management plans and potential surgical findings (for example, need for orchidectomy).</p> <p>Obtain valid informed consent, demonstrating knowledge of who may provide consent for minors and Gillick competence.</p> <p>Prioritise patients waiting for review or surgery; balancing individual need with clinical risks and system capacity.</p> <p>Perform scrotal exploration and testicular fixation for torsion.</p> <p>Acknowledge own limitations and request assistance when required.</p>			
<b>Evidence (minimum of two different assessors for each tool type)</b>			
<p>Must include the following feedback tools (as a minimum):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 x Observed Patient Consultations assessing patients presenting with an acute scrotum. One case should include suspected testicular torsion and obtaining consent for the procedure.</li> <li>2 x Case based Discussions on the management of patients who have an acute scrotum.</li> <li>2 x Observed Surgical Performances of scrotal surgery, including a patient who requires testicular fixation.</li> </ul>			

## EPA Completion Trainee

Has the trainee requested completion of this EPA previously? Yes  No

If yes, please check prior EPA Completion form/s to review feedback provided and previous tools completed.

At least two different assessors who indicate the trainee can complete the next case independently must be submitted for each feedback tool type (e.g. OPC, OSP).

Date	Type	Case Description	Assessor

The trainee's logbook indicates sufficient exposure to relevant procedures to develop competence, and supervision levels recorded in logbook are commensurate with evidence from feedback tools.

### Recommendation (select one)

Evidence from feedback tools indicates that <b>the trainee is competent</b> to assess and manage patients presenting with an acute scrotum.	
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The trainee needs to continue learning and completing feedback tools and re-present for assessment of completion of this EPA (provide comment below).	
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*The trainee should complete the following before re-presenting for EPA sign off:*

Training Supervisor:	Signature:
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List trainers who discussed and confirmed training unit consensus decision: