For Alert (Glasgow Coma Scale Score = 15) and Stable Trauma Patients Where Cervical Spine (C-Spine) Injury is a Concern

1. Any High-Risk Factor That Mandates Radiography?

Age ≥65 Years

or

Dangerous Mechanism*

or

Paresthesias in Extremities

No

2. Any Low-Risk Factor That Allows Safe Assessment of Range of Motion?

Simple Rear-end MVC†

or

Sitting Position in ED

or

Ambulatory at Any Time

OI

Delayed Onset of Neck Pain[‡]

or

Absence of Midline C-Spine Tenderness

Yes

3. Able to Actively Rotate Neck?

45° Left and Right

Able

No Radiography

Yes

Radiography

Unable