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### Adam's Apple, Eve's Jugular, and Everything In Between

EMS providers have been taught to stabilize and manage potential c-spine injuries in the patients we encounter as if it were second nature. Can you say the same thing about assessment and management of those injuries that occur to the anterior neck? This in-depth look at the anatomical structures of the neck and their relationship to other body structures will explore the potential life threatening injuries as well as the management of patients experiencing trauma to this vulnerable area of the human body.

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After completing this session, the learner will be able to:

1. Identify and locate critical anatomical structures of the neck.
2. Determine which neck injuries have potential to lead to thoracic injury.
3. Understand proper treatment and management of neck injuries.

Outline:

- Neck anatomy, structures and function
- Types of neck injuries
- Pathophysiology
- Treatment pearls