
Whiplash Injuries: Diagnosis and Early Management

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Preface

In spring 2004, the Swedish Society of Medicine appointed, in collaboration with the Whiplash Commission, a medical task force comprising representatives from nine sections of the Swedish Society of Medicine, namely: general medicine, neurology, orthopaedics, psychiatry, radiology, rehabilitation medicine, anaesthesiology/pain management, social medicine and otorhinolaryngology. This medical task force, the members of which are listed below, has developed the present consensus document. *Whiplash Injuries: Diagnosis and Early Management*, which does not deal with long-term problems and their treatment; these issues have been analysed separately elsewhere. In this document we summarise relevant scientific literature in the field, evaluating it based on the experience within the group concerning research in the field and the diagnosis and management of patients with whiplash-associated disorders.

The aim of this consensus document is to foster improved understanding of the medical problems involved in whiplash-associated disorders and facilitate the diagnosis and early management of patients with whiplash injuries.

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