Syncope History

GLOBAL MARK			
CLEAR PASS	BORDERLINE PASS	BORDERLINE FAIL	FAIL

Criteria

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Introduces Self, confirms patient identify, Washes hands,	2, 1
Offers analgesia, ensures comfort of patient	2
Confirms nature of the problem	1
Circumstances prior to collapse	1
Preceding symptoms	1
What the patient remembers	1
Length of LOC	1
Incontinence/tongue biting	1
Limb jerking	1
Injuries	1
Witnesses	1
Recovery phase	1
Previous Episodes	1
Dizziness on standing	
Palpitations	
Explore for GI bleed	
PMH	1
Diabetes	
Medications and allergies	1
Social History	2
Specifically asks about symptoms induced by exercise	
Alcohol	
Drug use	
IF female could they be pregnant/heavy PV bleeding	
FH of cardiac death	1
Assesses risk	
BP<90, SOB, ECG Abnormality, HCt <30% CCF [if yes to any of these	
NOT low risk]	
Explains differential diagnosis	1
Explains basic investigations	2
Postural BPs, BM, ECG, Blood tests	
Cardiology follow up if indicated	1
Answers questions	1
Explains patient will need to inform DVLA	1
If simple vasovagal can drive	
If unsure of cause or while sitting, must not drive	
If bus or lorry drive must not drive.	
Checks understanding of plan	1
Thanks patient	1
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